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The class of 1996 really shows that their class has the most school spirit Photo by ROOT

During Homecoming week
Ryan Smith and Eric
Edelman show that the class
of '96 has lots of school
spirit

Photo by RCOOT



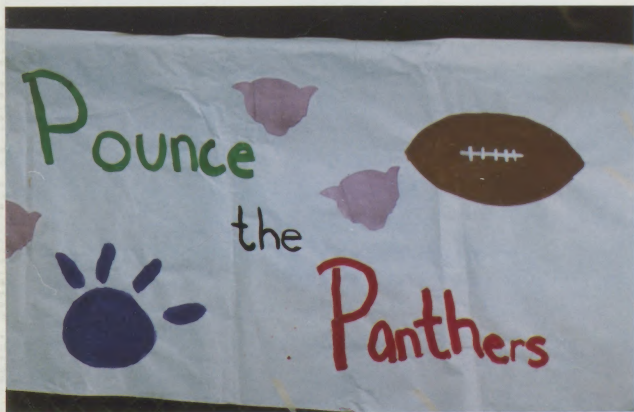
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A Time To Look Back

Three long months of summer have gone by and now it's time to hit the books and get back to studying. For some students, getting back to school is what they dread most but for the 1996 Seniors, coming back to school means more than homework, tests, and studying; it also means Graduation. As Seniors get closer to Graduation, they begin to look back on all the years they've spent here at Hammond High. All the memories made will always remain in their hearts and minds. So as you turn the pages of the 1996 Dunes year-book, remember that there's always a time to look back.

Diana Cruz



Homecoming banners were put up during the Homecoming Football game Photo by ROOT



*Seniors, Darleia Rardin and Brandi Crawford smile
with style Photo by Ingrid Davies*



*Junior, Diana Nevarez takes a minute to smile during our annual
fire drill Photo by Ingrid Davies*



Juniors, Amy Paliga and Sarah Adams stand patiently outside the doors of Hammond High Photo by Ingrid Davies



Juniors, Monica McAdams and Jennifer Scott take a minute to catch up on their reading Photo by Ingrid Davies

STUDENT LIFE

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1995-96 Homecoming

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Basketball Homecoming

Hispanic Heritage Program

Black History Program

*Memories made and
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SENIORS SHOW THEIR SPIRIT

This year, the Seniors at Hammond High finally let out the spirit that they held inside since Freshman year. They showed their school spirit by winning the hallway contest and by dressing up all week. This year's theme for Homecoming week was "Games."

Seniors- Dungeons and Dragons

Juniors- Super Mario Brothers

Sophomores- The Olympics

Freshman- Monopoly

Homecoming week started on Monday, September 25, 1995 and ended on September 29, 1995. The week consisted of the following...

Monday- Class Colors

Tuesday- 50's day/ Skating night

Wednesday- Dress-up day/ DZ's Hollywood

Thursday- Clash day/ Hayride-Bonfire

Friday- Purple & White/ The game

The Hammond High Wildcats had a tremendous victory over the Gary Roosevelt Panthers, 64-6. Congratulations to all who made this possible!

1995's Homecoming Queen- Diana Cruz

Mr. Football- Bob Delano

By- TINA RANGEL

A member of the junior class, Tahi Johnson, wonders how she's going to get out of this mess. Photo by- Root



Homecoming queen candidate Sakeitha Sloan watches Jerry White as he attempts to win more tickets. Photo by- Root

Junior Jermaine Brown takes time out from decorating to smile at the camera. Photo by-Root



Senior football players Anthony White, Derrick White, Bob Delano, and Raymond Zack show their feminine side with Coach Sherer. Photo by- Root



Hammond High students show their pride by participating in the Homecoming parade. Photo by- Root

Second runner-up queen candidate, Brisa Gomez and her escort Bruno Moreno. Photo by- Root



Senior, Bob Delano's campaigning won him the title of Mr. Football. Photo by- Root



First runner-up queen candidate, Deanna Watkins and her escort Tim Sheppard smile for the camera. Photo by-



Homecoming Queen, Diana Cruz smiles as she accepts her title. Photo by- Root

Junior princess, Diana Neveraz and her escort David Diaz anxiously await for the Junior princess to be announced. Photo by- Root



Freshman, Kevennia Bray smiles after being announced Freshman princess. Photo by- Root



Sophomore princess, Kim Davis and her escort Anthony Stanley patiently await for the Sophomore princess to be announced. Photo by- Root





Senior, Miguel Chapa practices his driving skills at DZ's Hollywood. Photo by- Root

The Senior class prepares to show their spirit at the pep assembly. Photo by- Root

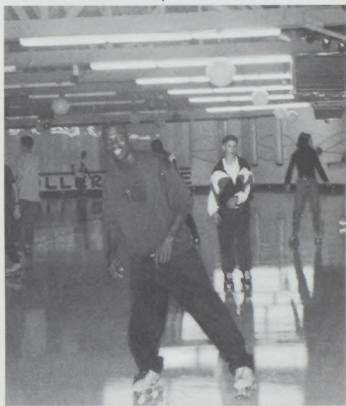


"Hey, Mr. Hayden this is not Hammond High!" Photo by- Root



Hammond High students wait for their turn on the hayride. Photo by- Root

Wide receiver, Willy Rembert shows that he has moves on and off the field. Photo by- Root



Spectators look at Richard Spencer shake, rattle, and roll. Photo by- Root

Trying for a hole in one, Jason Blagg makes sure his shot is lined up with a little help from John Toscano.

Photo by- Root



Quarterback, Keith Herron illudes the Roosevelt defenders.
Photo by- Root



Joaquiam Jackson slices through the defense. Photo by-Root



Junior candidates huddle around injured quarterback, Nick Albin. Photo by- Root



The Wildcats prepare to break through the Panthers defense. Photo by- Root

Hammond High's Jose Cruz scores key points during the big victory game. Photo by- Root



Band member Jose Reyes tunes notes during halftime. Photo by- Root



Tailback, Derrick White races for another touchdown. Photo by- Root

La Fiesta De Cuba y Puerto Rico

This years Hispanic Heritage Program was held on October 19, 1995. It was well put together, thanks to Ms. Hurly, Miss Kula, Mrs. Jones, and Mrs. Rapp.

The guest speaker Attorney Carmen Fernandez, talked about realistic goals.

The Hammond High dancers put together a lot of unique dances. They included: El Tamarindo, Desde Manana, and La Nina Fresa. The dancers spent many hours after school working hard to put together a festive program.

Special Thanks to Ruben Rosario for his DJ skills.

By Camila Martinez

During "El Tamarindo", Misty Strain and Adam Bartlett dance together. photo by Diana Cruz



Berenice Flores and Nadia Huerta- Insurriaga laugh hysterically as their routine suddenly changes.

photo by- Diana Cruz

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A few of the Hammond High dancers, Danny Garza, Adam Bartlett, Chris Lopez, and Jose Reyes enjoy dancing to, "La Nina Fresa." photo by Diana Cruz

David Roa and Nadia Huerta-Iusaruaga dance to "La Nina Fresa", photo by Diana Cruz



Not sure of the next step Hilda Lopez and partner Chris Lopez look to others for help, while Misty Strain wonders if Danny Garza is going to kick her, photo by Diana Cruz



"El Tamarindo" gives Brandi Bellinger and Adam Bartlett a chance to show the school their dance abilities, photo by Diana Cruz

Nancy Tirado and Arturo Sanchez dance to "Desde Manana," photo by Diana Cruz

A Salute to the Tuskegee Airmen

This years Black History Program was held on February 23, 1996. The guest speaker Mr. Quentin P. Smith spoke on the history of the Tuskegee Airmen, what they had to go through, how they were treated as African American military men, and how they worked hard and earned respect.

Some of our fellow class mates helped out with this years Black History Program. Aria Jelks welcomed our speaker. She really got her point across. The Hammond High choir sang "Going up Yonder", and Earl Thompkins sang a solo. The Pom Cats dance concluded the program. By Camila Martinez



As a salute to our country, Sarah Hamel and Antania Stanley hold the American flag with pride. Photo By- Ingrid Davies.



Art students, "Squeaky", Sean Raskosky, and James Lewis, Show their work of art. Photo By- Ingrid Davies

Hammond High's Pom Cats do their thing to hipe up the program. Photo By- Ingrid Davies



AN UNFORGETTABLE NIGHT

Preparing for Formal can have its complications like finding a date, shopping for proper attire, hoping that someone else doesn't show up wearing the same outfit, and then finding transportation.

This year's Winter Formal was held on January 20, 1996 at St. Demetrius Hall. The night began with pictures by Lovasko Studio, followed by a dinner that no one will forget. During dinner, sparks were flying and hearts were beating expeditiously when a bread basket went up in flames. After dinner, everyone's hearts were still beating, but in a different way when they danced with friends and sweethearts to the music of DJ Kid Scratch (Ruben Rosario). Senior, Jessica Doherty said, "Formal was an unforgettable night", and Senior, Heather Matney said, "Formal is a night to remember, and a night I'll never forget. Despite my boyfriend changing his plans with me and spending the whole night with someone else, Formal started the new year off perfectly to spend time with good friends".

By- TINA RANGEL



While slow dancing, John Thorgren and Stephanie Tavares enjoy a passionate kiss. Photo by- Root

Trying to get the beat, Daniel Rodriguez looks at Berenice Flores for help. Photo by- Root

Formal attendants dance to the Electric Slide, while Misty Strain is caught off guard. Photo by- Root



"One, Two, Three Cha-cha-cha", Jonathan Rojas counts while dancing with Jennifer Scott. Photo by- Root



Senior, Bob Delano tries to cut in on Krista Gresko and her date, Mike Natzke. Photo by- Root

Regional Spirit Week

This year we did not celebrate Basketball Homecoming Week but we did celebrate Regional Spirit Week. During Spirit Week, we dressed in jerseys, as twins, and finally we wore purple and white on Friday. We also had a pep assembly which was organized by the cheerleaders. For Seniors this was their last assembly ever but for the underclassmen it was just the beginning. Due to the success of our Basketball team winning the E.C. Sectionals, they advanced to the Regionals. Hammond High has not made it to the E.C. Regionals since 1988 and hopefully it won't be the last. We have to admire not only Coach Green but his team for all their hard work and dedication they have put into making this season a great one. Unfortunately they lost to Lew Wallace in the Championship Game. They played a terrific game and made this year a year to remember.

By Diana Cruz



The Hammond High Basketball players warm up before the Regional Game. Photo by: ROOT



Sophomore, Jermaine Boyette takes the ball to the net.

Photo by: ROOT



Left Junior, Keith Herron concentrates on making a three pointer during the Regional Basketball game.

Photo by: ROOT

An Unforgettable Night

On Friday, May 10th, the 1996 Junior-Senior Prom was held at the Dynasty Banquet Hall. The theme was "Make It Last Forever," and the colors were purple, teal, and silver. Prom King, Derrick White and Queen, Patricia Eberle danced to the song "Unforgettable." For the seniors, the song "Unforgettable" was not only played for the King and Queen, but it was also played as a reminder of an unforgettable night.

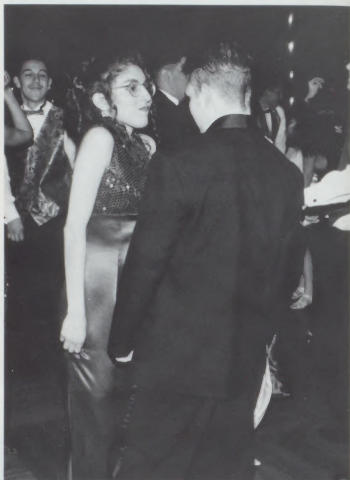
After prom, many went to Navy Pier on a cruise, some went to eat at Planet Hollywood or the Hard Rock Cafe, while others went their separate ways.

Even though it was the last prom for the seniors, in their minds, they will "Make it last forever"! By- Tina Rangel and Camila Martinez



Prom King and Queen, Derrick White and Patricia Eberle smile after being crowned. Photo by- Root

"What's that, a new dance?" asks Joe Dannis to his date Melinda De La Rosa. Photo by- Root



"It's electric," thinks Tim Austin as he tries to stay in line. Photo by- Root

"I thought we were on Y," says Aisha Chism during the YMCA song. Photo by- Root



Bonnie and Clyde? Wait, it's Jose Reyes and Bertha Cruz. Photo by- Root



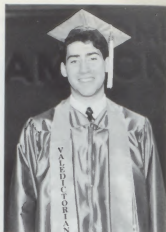
Prom goers, Daniel Castellanos, Monica Aguilar, Lucy Enriquez, Reyes Maciel, Brisa Gomez, Bruno Moreno, Angelica Calvillo, and Alejandro Lagunas gather for one last picture together. Photo by- Root

Prom attendees sit and wait for dinner. Photo by-Root

1996 Male Athlete of the Year Robert Delano. Photo by: ROOT



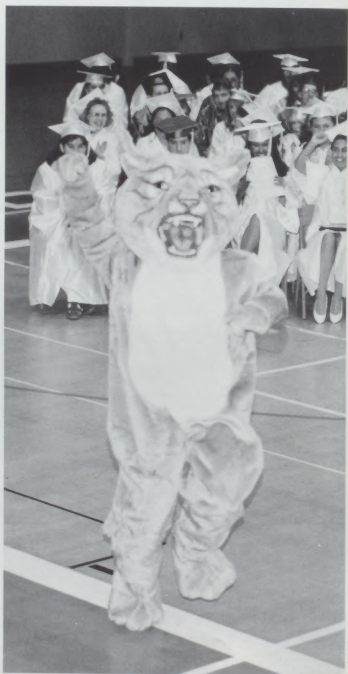
1996 Valedictorian, Ross Beatty. Photo by: ROOT



Senior Everett Konce follows as the Senior class leads out after the honors day program. Photo by: ROOT



Making his premier debut, Willy the Wildcat waves to the crowd during the Senior Honor's Day program. Willy was donated by the class of 1996. Photo by: ROOT





1996 Salutatorian Michael Wytrykus. Photo by: ROOT

1996 Female Athlete of the Year Josette Perkins. Photo by: ROOT



A Day of Praise

On May 23, 1996, the class of 1996 marched into the gymnasium for the Senior Honors Day program. Many seniors were recognized for their many academic and athletic efforts and praised for their accomplishments. Recognized were Valedictorian Ross Beatty and Salutatorian Michael Wytrykus. The National Honor Society was also recognized for their achievements. Various awards were given to winners of scholarships, sports awards, and academic achievements. The program could not have been complete without Willy the Wildcat. The New and improved Willy was a gift to the school from the class of 1996. Many will remember this day and look back to the accomplishments they've made for themselves. Good Luck class of '96. By Diana Cruz



Senior Class President Diana Cruz Passes the TEMULAC to Junior Class President Genetra King. Photo by: ROOT

Saying Goodbye

It was a time to say goodbye to old friends and hello to the future. This is what happened to members of the senior class on June 5, 1996. Commencement brought insightful speeches from Salutatorian Michael Wytrykus and Valedictorian Clive Beatty. With the speeches came memories of the fear and confusion felt as we entered Hammond High School for the first time as freshmen. Now, four years later, we feel the fear and confusion of leaving the sanctuary of Hammond High to enter the "real world". A major part of our lives has come to an abrupt halt. Many of us will be going away to college while others stay closer to home. Some will bypass college and go straight into the work force. Wherever we go, one thing is certain, we all take with us memories of Hammond High School with us. The Ensemble said it best when they sang, "I Wish You Well, My Friend". Goodbye Class of 1996. By Diana Cruz



Valedictorian Ross Beatty and Salutatorian Michael Wytrykus lead the future graduates to the ceremony.
Photo by: ROOT



Senior Class President Diana Cruz smiles as she receives her diploma. Photo by: ROOT



After Graduation, Seniors were awarded with balloons and flowers from their parents and friends. Photo by: ROOT

Senior Patty Eberle complains to Mr. Hayden as her Honor Society rope breaks before the ceremony. Photo by: ROOT

Senior Graduates throw up their caps with joy after completing 12 years of hard work. Photo by: ROOT



Senior Class President Diana Cruz and Vice President Patty Eberle Give out diplomas at Graduation. Photo by: ROOT

Seniors Dina Buchanan, and Misty Bellinger help out their classmate Amber Benni. Photo by: ROOT

Soccer

Tennis

Basketball

Wrestling

Football

Track

Sports

Baseball

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Volleyball

Softball

Swimming

CROSS COUNTRY

Roosevelt players try to break through Hammond's offense during the Homecoming game. Photo by: ROOT



The H.H.S. Staff and student body celebrate the victory of the wildcats at the East Chicago Regionals. Photo by: ROOT

Hammond's offensive line gets charged to take on Munster's defensive line. Photo by ROOT

Small in Numbers, Big in Heart

After losing the first game of the season including a promising quarterback, Nick Albin. The Wildcats bounced back against Gavit with receiver Kieth Herron moving to quarterback.

The Varsity Football team was lead by team captains; Anthony White, Ray Zack, Derrick White, and Bob Delano. Other strong players were Willie Rembert, Ed Simmons, Marvin Smith, Adrian Eichelberger, and team motivator, Rich Spencer.

The Wildcats won the first round in sectionals by defeating Gavit 39-6, but placed second in the Black Division. Overall, the guys had an incredible season! By Anthony White



Wide reciever Marvin Smith is prepared to run his route with speed. photo by- Diana Cruz

Hammond's senior tailback Derrick White breaks another tackle for a touchdown against Munster.

photo by- Diana Cruz



Hammond's senior Tightend, Anthony White squeezes into the huddle and listens attentively. photo by-Diana Cruz



Junior fullback Mike White scampers for yardage against Roosevelt's defense. photo by- Randall Griffith





Wildcat freshman defenders crush Griffith runningback

Photo by Carmen Diaz

The freshman begin their offensive attack

Photo by Carmen Diaz



These Wildcat freshman show that they are not camera shy Photo by Carmen Diaz



The Wildcats stop the Griffith Panthers in their tracks. Photo by Carmen Diaz

Working Hard

The J.V. Wildcats had a record of 3-4-1, with beating tough teams such as Morton, E.C. Central, and Gavit. The team consisted of strong players like David Saldana, Rich Spencer and potential varsity stars ; Jason Cobb, Joaquim "Forest" Jackson, Mike White and Nate Thompson.

On the other hand, the Freshman Wildcats had a great season by winning six games and losing only two. Persons looking to start on the varsity level next year are ; Keon Gause, Kenyatta Young, Justin Hutton, Stephen Wilborn, and Jurrel Butler. After winning the Lake 10 Conference at the Freshman level they had a banquet at Shakey's.

By Anthony White

The Wildcats defense swarm the ball once again.

Photo by Carmen Diaz

Doing Their Best

The 1995-1996 Volleyball season got off to a good start. The lady cats were determined to win their games.

The Freshman team worked hard and were very dedicated with the help of their coach, B. Erminger. They ended their season with 4 losses and 2 wins.

The J. V. Team came out of their season with 4 wins and 4 losses. With the help of their coach, Stacie Kimmen, they did their best.

The varsity team ended their season with 14 losses and 9 wins. Varsity also captured the East Chicago Tournament - 1st place and Sectional Runner up winners. Daniel Trull, a former H.H.S. student, coached their season.

By Kim Collins

#17 Teresa Price shows off her skills as she sets up a serve
Photo by Ingrid Davies



Managing to receive a bounce from her opponents Kristal Mathis awaits Photo by Ingrid Davies



#21 Deanna Watkins readily awaits the pass from her opponents Photo by- Ingrid Davies

Concentrating on hitting the ball, Crystal Fisher spikes against Gary Wirt Photo by Ingrid Davies



J.V. Player Samantha Knight sets up a spike for Diana Nevarez Photo by Ingrid Davies

Preparing to set, Araceli Sanchez passes to #27, Kim Law
Photo by Ingrid Davies

Keeping his eye on the ball, Daniel Rodriguez attempts to score. Photo by Diana Cruz

How do you feel about this being your last year coaching?

"It's just time for a change. I've been coaching for 27 years here, so it's just time."



Running towards the ball, Todd Brown attempts to block a shot. Photo by Diana Cruz

After attempting to score, Jose Cruz runs back to make a big play on defense. Photo by Diana Cruz



Final Period For Carroll

The 1995 soccer season was the last season that Coach Carroll would coach. Coach Frank Carroll started soccer in Northwest Indiana in 1968. He continued his coaching for 27 years. Through the years he said that the majority of them were good, with three years ago being the best year he had coached. His past two years weren't that good. Despite the number of losses in the "95" season, he still had a few good players. Junior, Javier Vargas led the team with the most goals followed by Junior, Chris Moore. Slightly trailing Chris was Junior, Jose Cruz who came out for his third year playing with confidence. Jose was the only member of the team to make all conference. Congratulations to Jose and hopefully the team will have a better year next year and in years to come.

By Tina Rangel



The Hammond High Widcats take a shot on the goal. Photo by Diana Cruz

Helping to be a major part of the team, Juan Avila finishes a tough race. photo by Randall Griffith

Cats Run Wild

This year the girls cross country team had a tough season, the girls began the season with only four runners and a new coach. Despite not winning a meet, the girls ran hard in meets and practice. Lisa Lesniewski was one of their top runners and qualified to run in the National AAU meet.

The boys cross country team had a record of 5-4 in dual meets. Ruben Recio was the captain of this years team. He was awarded All-Conference second team honors. The boys finished seventh in the conference. BY- DAVID SALDANA

Being a team leader, Ruben Recio runs to the finish line. photo by Randall Griffith



Ruben Recio runs to the finish line. photo by Randall Griffith

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Doing his best, Rueben Recio runs hard to stay in the race. photo by Randall Griffith



Although it was a tough meet, Craig Scott does his best to stay in the race. photo by Randall Griffith



Running hard, Dan Spore is coming up on the outside. photo by Randall Griffith

Despite being a freshman, JB Whitelow gives everything he's got at this meet. photo by Randall Griffith

A Fall Sport No More

The 1995 Girls Swim team accomplished a lot this year. They broke two school records and ended their season with a record of 6-9. Girls swimming as a fall sport began for the last time in August of 1995. Girls swimming next year will be in the winter due to the lack of sports for women in the winter season. The change of coaching will need a little adjustment but the girls and new coach will adjust just fine. The 1995 season brought new achievements for the girls and Coach Malis. The girls broke two school records. One was the 50 yard Freestyle which was broken by Freshman Jennifer Bass with a time of :28.25. The other record was the 200 Freestyle Relay broken by Freshman Jennifer Bass, Senior Captain Diana Cruz, Senior Captain Patty Eberle, and Senior Rachel Stern at sectionals with a time of 1:57.77. These girls have worked hard for these achievements not only for themselves but for Coach Malis. Coach Malis has given a lot of her time and effort to the team. For 10 years she has been the Girls swim team coach, but next year Heather Hanning, a former H.H.S. student and swimmer, will take her place. Thanks for everything Coach Malis and Good Luck Coach Hanning!

By- Diana Cruz



Coach Phyllis Malis gives words of encouragement to the team before a meet. Photo by: Diana Cruz



Senior Captains Patty Eberle (top) and Diana Cruz (bottom) motivated their team mates and helped them become a team. Photos by: ROOT



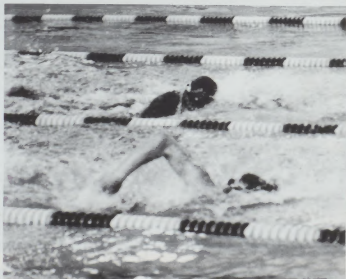
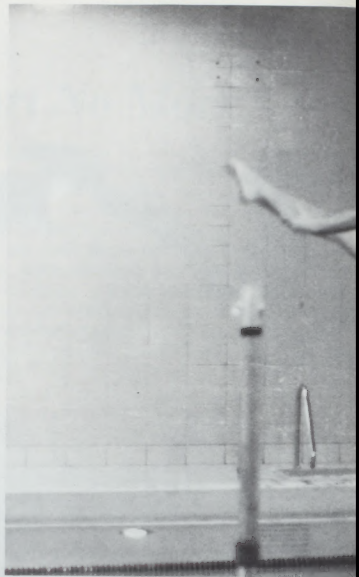
Senior Diver, Rachel Stern looks for the water as she dives during the munster sectionals. Photo by: Diana Cruz

Go Take the Plunge

This year our boys swimmers got a new coach, Mr. DeJonge. He is an art teacher half a day here at Hammond High. Having swimming experience, the new coach had high expectations for the team but only with six swimmers not much could be accomplished. Out of the six swimmers there were four that returned from last year, they were: Junior Team Captain Bill Schneider, Senior Cory Baker, and Juniors Chris Ginder and Dan King. The rookies are Ryan Albert and Eric Kiszania, tried their hardest and really improved over the season. This season was not a failure, the team thought that they accomplished all they could, and they did not let it get them down for next season. After all our boys had many accomplishments over the season. Bill Schneider took 5th in conference and 6th in sectionals for diving and Chris Ginder was in the consuls for the 100 Free. Other achievements include both 200 Medley Relay and 400 Free Relay took two 5th places in the finals. The team hopes next year there will be more guys to swim. By Billy Schneider



Junior captian Bill Schneider is here diving his heart out trying to get prepared for sectionals. Photo by Diana Cruz



Swimming hard, Junior Chris Ginder kicks it in overdrive to beat his rival from Roosevelt in the 200 freestyle. Photo by

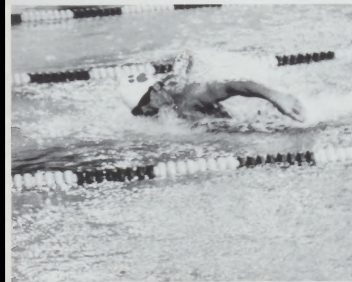
Diana Cruz



He's back again and better than ever, Junior Bill Schneider shows us diving like we have never seen.

Photo by Diana Cruz

Yes, he is a swimmer too, here is our Junior captian Bill Schneider is about to try to beat a six minutes in the 500 Free. Photo by Diana Cruz



Senior, Cory Baker having fun flying past his opponents in the 100 Butterfly. Photo by Diana Cruz



A Tough Season

Despite the record of the girls basketball team of 8 wins and 12 losses, the girls still managed to beat tough teams such as Gary Wirt and Griffith. The girls won the Gavit Holiday Tournament led by strong players such as DeAnna Armstrong, DeAnna Watkins, Shanice Smith and Charlene Perkins. Through it all, the girls had a great season and year with a committed coach Richard Badovinich. Even though the team will be losing 4 seniors next year they will have gained the techniques and knowledge left by their teammates. Good Luck to all the Lady Wildcats in their 1996-97 season. By-Anthony White and Diana Cruz

Strong Foward DeAnna Watkins put up a 3-pointer over a big Morton defender. Photo by Ingrid Davies



Speedy Wildcats DeAnna Armstrong and DeAnna Watkins chase down the wild rebound.. Photo by Ingrid Davies



Wildcat defenders, Lisa Lesniewski and Kassia Speaks surround the rim for the rebound. Photo by Ingrid Davies

Point Guard Shaniece Smith blows by a Morton defender. Photo by Ingrid Davies



Point Guard Josette Perkins takes a shot over Morton defenders. Photo by Ingrid Davies

Showing his scoring ability, Charles Robinson puts back an offensive board. Photo by Randy Griffith

A Year To Remember

The Wildcats had a spectacular 17 - 7 season. The Wildcats were led by seniors Robert Delano and Charles Robinson, junior guard Keith Herron gave an added spark to the Wildcat offense. Sophomores Jermaine Boyette and Baptiste Haywood were pleasant surprises for Coach Green and earned starting positions. The Wildcats captured the sectional title for the first time since 1988. The Wildcats then went on to beat Calumet and lost the regional final championship to Lew Wallace to end the season.

The J.V. Wildcats had an admirable season. They were led by Tim Austin, Dan Synder, Nate Thompson, Michael Caston, And Jamie Coleman. They were coached by Greg O'Donnel. The J.V. finished with a record of about 8 - 12.

By David Saldana





Top left: Standing patiently, Coach Green leads his team to another victory against Lew Wallace. Photo by Carmen Diaz

Top right: Trying to draw a foul, Jermaine Boyette drives the lane against Lew Wallace. Photo by Carmen Diaz

Left: Clearing the boards, Robert Delano gets another one of his many rebounds. Photo by Randy Griffith

Bottom right: Hustling for the ball, Baptiste Haywood snares a loose ball. Photo by Carmen Diaz

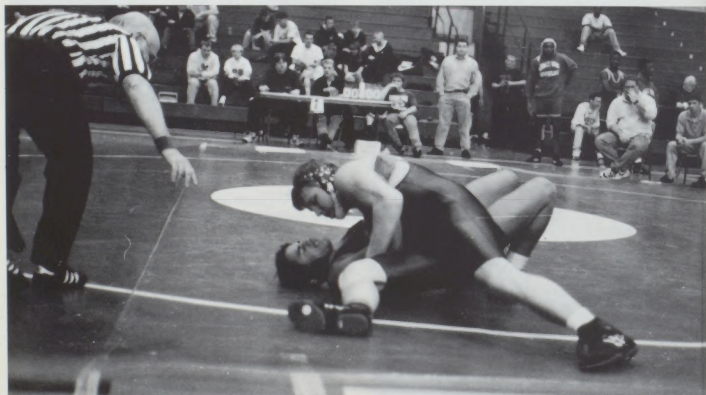
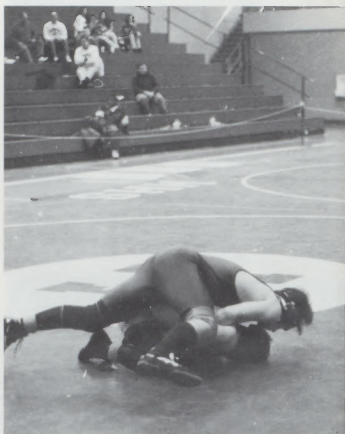
Another New Beginning

While the wrestling team has been through three coaches in three years, the wrestlers have remained constant. With a staff of all new coaches led by Robb Pettit, and his assistants Bob Eberle, and Pat Darrough, the Wildcat Wrestlers managed to have an excellent season even though the stat sheets don't show it.

Led by seniors Mike Jancosek, Tim DePew, and Juniors Adam Johnston, Mike White, and Ben Austin, the wrestlers poured their hearts out on the mat and walked off with their heads held high.

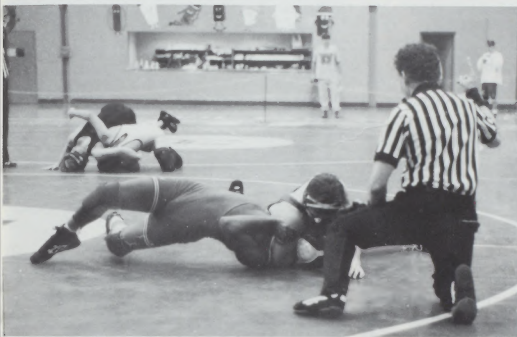
The Sectional Champion was Mike Jancosek(112), and the Sectional runners-up were Mike White(152), Ben Austin(189), Joe Stasko(215), and Rich Spencer(275). Mike Jancosek and Ben Austin advanced to Semi-State. They proved that the Wildcats were better than what the stat sheets showed. They will be even better next year.

By Mike White

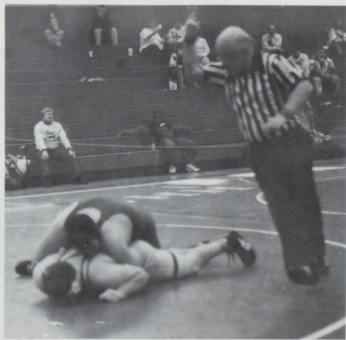


Finishing his throw, Ben Austin makes sure his hips are under him while fans watch in amazement. Photo By: Jason Cobb

Left: In his sectional final match, Mike White spins behind to get a takedown on his opponent from Gavit. Photo by: Jason Cobb



Showing that he can throw too, Mike White pins his opponent with a hop toss and a tight headlock finish.
Photo by: Jason Cobb



In the last match of sectionals, Rich Spencer rides his opponent and attempts to work moves from the top position. Photo by: Jason Cobb

Left: Working to throw his duck-under, Tim DePew leans in to his opponent for leverage. Photo by: Jason Cobb

Teamwork is the Key

The Hammond High baseball team had a relatively good season. The seventeen players held a record of eleven wins and twelve losses. Their biggest win of the season was when they defeated conference champion Highland High School.

The most outstanding player of the 1995-1996 team was Chris "Fo" Moore. Aside from being the only player to make all-conference, Chris also led the team in RBI's and had the highest batting average.

In pitching, there was a tie between Tim DePew and Fred Akers for the most strike-outs. Coach Malis also recognized Dan King and Fred Akers as having the best ERA's this season.

The season went fairly smooth for the team. They had few problems with the weather and only one minor injury. We hope that their good fortune will continue in the future. By Amy Paliga



Running home Chris Moore scores with ease. Photo by Bill Schneider

Hitting a line drive, David Huerta runs to first base. Photo by Bill Schneider





Sophomore Mike Caston tries to strike out yet another batter. Photo by Bill Schneider



Giving it his all, Mike Caston throws a perfect strike. Photo by Bill Schneider



Catcher David Huerta straps on his shin guards before a game. Photo by Bill Schneider

Numbers Missing, Team Struggles

This year's softball team had a very discouraging record. The team ended up with a 1-17-1 record. The team started the season with sixteen girls attending practice, and the team ended up with eleven players, two of them being injured. Numbers were not in the team's favor at all. Sectionals were supposed to start on May 25, but due to poor weather conditions, the date was changed to Wednesday 30 at 1:30. This day the girls softball team was able to complete the rest of their game. The team lost to Morton by a score of 10-1. The team is hoping to have more players and more support from students and staff next year. By Melissa Hamel



Swinging her hardest, Jamie Cobb aims for center field.
Photo by Carmen Diaz

Sandra Lopez tires to end the inning with a third strike.
Photo by Carmen Diaz



Trying for a double play, the force out at second base succeeds. Photo by Carmen Diaz



Warming up before a game, the softball team runs down the field. Photo by Carmen Diaz



Hustling for the ball, Ticka Morgan makes the play. Photo by Carmen Diaz

Senior Roger Raskosky returns a serve with ease. Photo by Ingrid Davies

A Little Goes a Long Way

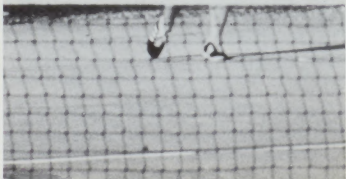
Last year the boys tennis did not have a coach or a team, and this year they received a new coach. Therefore this was a rebuilding year for the Wildcat tennis players, who suffered an 0-11 season and came in last in the Hammond Tennis Tourney, Lake 10 Conference, and Sectionals. There were, however, a couple of players that stood out from the rest of the team. They were John Ly, the number one singles player and Roger Raskosky, named MVP for the season. Junior Rodney Turner quotes, "Hopefully next year we'll get more players." By Bill Schneider



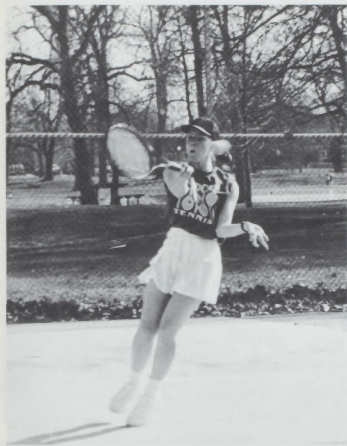
M.V.P. Roger Raskosky serves the ball to win his final match against his opponents. Photo by Ingrid Davies



Freshman Kevin Brack practices his backhand on a board at Harrison Park. Photo by Ingrid Davies



Junior Sarah Adams struggles to hit the ball. Photo by:
Carmen Diaz



There's a hole in my racket

This year the girls tennis team had many delays in matches due to the rain. Having Coach Kitchell for a second year, the girls learned many drills, and practiced serves. Returning were Sophomore Naivi Mondragon, Juniors Sarah Adams, Patty Stewart, and Heather Strains, and Seniors Ingrid Davies, and Diana Cruz.

All varsity members worked hard this year but had a not so great season. The girls had a little trouble in the middle of the season. With Sarah Adams injuring her back everyone had to move up which was tough. Hopefully next year the girls will have a better season with lots of sun. The girls ended with a record of 1-11. Good Luck next year!

By Diana Cruz



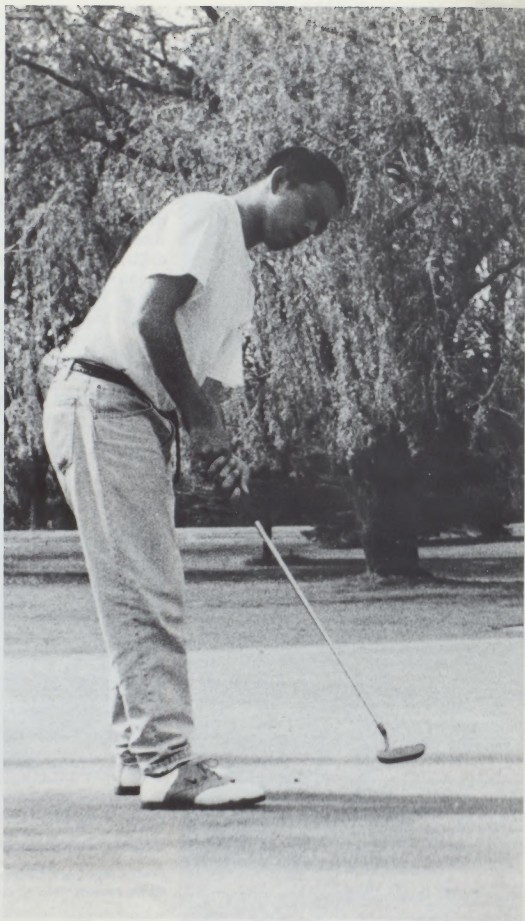
Junior Naivi Mondragon sets the ball flying. Photo by: Carmen Diaz



Doubles team Ingrid Davies and Heather Strains play it cool during a match. Photo by: Carmen Diaz

Anticipating the sinking of
a birdie, Miguel Chapa
holds a confident pose.

Photo by Carmen Diaz



Driving the ball towards the green, Junior Chris Ginder swings his club with all his strength. Photo by Carmen Diaz



Swinging Away

This year was a very challenging one for the H.H.S. golf team.

The brightest aspect of their season was probably the accommodating weather. Although the team faced strong competition, their efforts led them to a single win over Whiting in the regular season.

The Wildcats home course is located at Wicker Park. This is where the Lake 10 Conference was held. The team finished in ninth place.

Coach Badovinich announced that the most valuable player of the 1995-96 golf team was Miguel Chapa. The announcement wasn't a big surprise to anyone because Miguel has received this honor for the past two years. Congratulations to him and good luck to the H.H.S. golf team in rebuilding their victorious strategies. By Amy Paliga



Trying to get his ball out of a sand trap, Ryan Albert attempts to hit his ball.

Photo by Carmen Diaz

Run with the Wind

The boy and girl track teams had some difficulties through the season. But the good parts were Larry Hines and Jaoquiam Jackson. Achievements from the boys included, Larry Hines acquired a first place in 110 hurdles, second place in 100m. dash, and took fifth place in the 110 high hurdles in the state meet. The other achiever from the boys was Jaoquiam Jackson, he did well over the season in his hurdling and his sprinting, but in the state met he took 107th place in the 300m. low hurdles. As for the girls they had a little more contribution. The contributors were Eboni Henderson for the shotput, Shatya Hunter for discus, and Lisa Lesniewski for the 800 m. race. All of these three ladies were regional qualifiers. They had a winning record of seven wins and two losses. Hopefully next year our talent from both teams will progress more as the years go by. By Bill Schneider



Sophomore Lisa Lesniewski is running so fast nobody is in sight to catch her. Photo by Carmen Diaz

Junior David Speaks stretches for his toes before the race. Photo by Carmen Diaz





Huffing and puffing, J.B. Whitelow rounds the track one more time. Photo by Carmen Diaz

Giving it her all, Ebonie Henderson throws the shotput to break her own personal record. Photo by Carmen Diaz



Senior Josette Perkins is long-jumping her way to the dirt. Photo by Carmen Diaz

Boys Varsity Basketball

65	Gary Wirt	64
66	Bishop Noll	42
74	Mich. City	58
78	Clark	48
57	St. Francis	71
69	Munster	51
71	Portage	62
57	Bloom	59
55	Highland	52
77	Hillcrest	78
77	Gavit	61
61	Lew Wallace	81
58	Calumet	52
57	G. Roosevelt	65
62	Morton	54
56	West Side	78
108	Whiting	44
74	T.F. North	57
62	Griffith	56
72	Horse Mann	57



Top Row: Batiste Haywood; Chris Moore, Damon Brown, Fred Williams, Dan Snyder, Bob Delano, Charles Robinson, David Speaks, Adam Wilson, Rodney Digby Bottom Row: Kieth Herron, Donye Chism, Coach O'Donnell, Coach Green, Coach Corner, Jermaine Boyette



Top Row: Coach Ploeb, Ebonye Henderson, Kim Law, Charlene Perkins, Deanna Watkins, Tandra Edmond, Coach Badovinich Bottom Row: Danisha Williams, Joette Perkins, DeAnna Armstrong, Sandra Lopez, Shance Smith

STATE CHAMPS 1935



Top Row: Coach Eberle, Richard Spencer, Coach Pettit, Tim Depew, Coach Darrough Middle Row: Rodney Turner, Ben Austin, Mike Jancosek, Joe Stasko, Dan Castillano Bottom Row: Chad Jacobs, Brian Gareia, Adam Johnston, Mike White, Eric Long



Top Row: Coach DeJonge, Bill Schneider, Chris Ginder, Dan King Bottom Row: Ryan Albert, Eric Kisenia, Cory Baker

Girls Varsity Basketball

40	Munster	42
36	Wallace	70
32	Calumet	50
56	Wirt	34
51	Griffith	31
16	Lake Central	74
47	Morton	53
33	West Side	68
43	Whiting	37
47	Clark	42
59	Clark	38
49	Gavit	41
32	Merriville	49
48	Highland	56
40	Gavit	45
55	Roosevelt	68
47	Noll	43
56	Clark	34
45	Morton	36
30	E.C. Central	49

Varsity Wrestling

16	Griffith	58
67	Noll	0
24	Morton	54
54	Whiting	24
33	Clark	47
13	Gavit	58
16	Highland	60
27	Munster	52

Teams Tournaments Place

16	Calumet Tmry	13
7	Hobart Super	4
9	C.P. Tmry	8
10	Mrv. Super Dual	10
10	Lake 10	7

Boys Swimming

67	Clark	75
68	Morton	74
67	Lowell	65
75	Griffith	22
42	Gavit	100
44	Noll	45
52	Clark	41
24	Calumet	78
51	E.C. Central	34
68	N Newton	30
24	Crown Point	80
40	Morton	58

#Teams Tournaments Place

10	Lake 10	6
10	F-S Lake 10	9
11	Sectionale	7

Forieter: Gary Wirt, Gary Wallace



Top Row: Phil Innes, Andrew Maligukas, Mike Klitch, Anton Lewis, Harold Jones Bottom Row: Phil White, Justin Huston, Coach Brown, Brandon Fennis, Aton Spencer

Boys Fresh Basketball

Horace Mann	Lost
Bishop Noll	Lost
Clark	Won
Gary Roosevelt	Lost
Munster	Lost
T.F. North	Lost
Gary Wallace	Won
Highland	Lost
Hillcrest	Lost
Gavit	Lost
West Side	Won
Calumet	Won
Morton	Won
E.C. Central	Lost
Whiting	Lost
Griffith	Won

T.F. North X-mas Tourney - Lost 2, Won 1



Top Row: Lashuna Burns, Kassia Speaks, Jennifer Bass, Coach Flogh, Monique Davis, Mary Law, Brooke Autry, Christina Moore Bottom Row: Rachel Ward, Ticks Morgan, Lisa Lemnewiki, Samantha Knight

Girls J.V. Basketball

18	Munster	24
41	Wallace	11
58	Calumet	2
53	Wirt	11
49	Griffith	72
18	Lake Central	24
29	Morton	14
33	West Side	42
46	Whiting	22
47	Clark	15
33	Merriville	30
32	Highland	22
47	Gary Roosevelt	19
33	Bishop Noll	38
35	Gavit	26
34	Bishop Noll	36
25	Morton	20



Top Row: Fahrem Hason, James Gause, David Ashley, Alonzo Mendoza, Ashur Lee, Mike Parnish, Tim Austin, Anton Chase Bottom Row: Danyel Chum, Nate Thompson, Coach O'Donnell, Coach Comer, Mike Caston, Anthony Stanley

Boys J.V. Basketball

37	Wirt	57
27	Noll	26
25	Mitchigan City	38
61	Clark	32
43	DeSales	49
49	Munster	48
34	Portage	38
58	Bloom	59
57	Highland	58
47	Hillcrest	61
46	Gavit	30
44	Calumet	41
43	Roosevelt	42
62	Morton	65
32	West Side	50
44	Whiting	14
44	T.F. North	46
44	Griffith	42
32	Horace Mann	35



Top Row: Rodney Turner, Coach Kitchell, Ed Hilstrom Bottom Row: John Ly, Roger Rasnosky, Kevin Bragg

Boys Tennis

0	River Forest	5
1	Gary Wallace	4
1	Calumet	5
0	Clark	5
0	E.C. Central	5
0	Gavit	5
0	Bishop Noll	5

Teams Tournament Place

10	Lake 10	5
5	Hammond City	5
4	Sectionals	4

Volleyball Varsity

Lake Central
Chesterton
F.C. Academy
Whiting
Munster
Gavit
Calumet
Bishop Noll
Griffith
Clark
Gary Wallace
Highland
West Side
E.C. Central
Gary Mann
E.C. Central
Bishop Noll

Lost
Lost
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Won
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Lost

Sectional Runner Up

Top Row: Coach Trull, Coach Brian, Monique Davis, Coach Kimmen Middle Row: Kim Law, Mary Law, Danna Watkins, Christina Moore Bottom Row: Teresa Price, Anaeli Sanchez, Melissa Huns



Volleyball J.V.

Lake Central
Chesterton
Fulton, CA
Whiting
Munster
Gavit
Calumet
Bishop Noll
Griffith
Clark
Gary Wallace
Highland
Morton
West Side

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Won
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Lost

Teams Tournament Place

8 Munster J.V. Torum 8

Top Row: Coach Brian, Diana Nevarez, Amarchi Nwabuko, Coach Kimmen Middle Row: Amy Aurelio, Crystal Fisher, Lim Lesniewski, Nancy Madlow Bottom Row: Samantha Knight, Kristal Mathis, Sandra Lopez, Kia Copper



X-Country Girls

Gavit Invite 32
Rebel Invite 40
Noll/Hammond/LC 3
Rensselaer Invite 40
Gavit/Hammond/Morton n/s
Clark/Hammond/EC 3
Highland Invite 30
Clark Invite
Lake 10
Sectionals
Regionals

Top Row: Mary Law, Coach Plogh, Lisa Lesniewski Bottom Row: Carmel Stern, LaShana Burns



X-Country Boys

Gavit Morton W/L
Clark Morton ECC Whiting 2W/2L
Whiting Morton McMar 2W/L
Gavit Invite n/s
Rebel Invite 21
Rensselaer Invite n/s
Highland Invite 15
Clark Invite 12
Lake 10 7
Sectionals 9

Top Row: Craig Scott, Coach Green, Chris Harris, Dan Spore Bottom Row: Ruben Resio





Top Row: Andreas Malligsknas, Anton Lewis, Kemya Young, Roger Reyes, Keon Moore, Charlie Alexander, Troy Kroft 2nd Row: Mitch Maddox, Steffan Wilborn, Mike Kibbler, Jason Durr, Harold Jones, Erie Kasenia 3rd Row: Coach Armstrong, Keon Gause, Lewis Short, Jon Toney, Alfonso Little, Dale Glasen, Coach Brown 4th Row: Omar Guerra, Ron Johnson, Daniel Whaley, Matt Lago, Ben Schneider, Matt Poe Bottom Row: Phil Ignae, Dean Martinez, Laurent Bracey, Josh Cross, Gabe Hernandez, Jerrell Butler

Frosh Football

6	Gavitt	0
38	Clark	0
20	Highland	6
31	Morton	6
22	Andean	38
6	Munster	24
18	Bishop Noll	14
13	Griffith	12



Top Row: Mike Blesa, Nathan Kelding, Rich Spencer, Jarvis Jackson, David Saldana, Darron Edmond, Matt Monberg, Ray Zaek, Bob Delano 2nd Row: Willy Rembert, Daniel White, Marques Jones, Anthony White, James Gause, Anthony Clepion, Ed Simmen, Tim Stisko, Nick Albin 3rd Row: Isiah Henderson, Adam Jacobs, Mr. Kessler, Coach Sherer, Coach Rogers, Coach Sojka, Marvin Smith 4th Row: Mike White, Jacqui Jackson, Joe Stanko, Aaron Bracey, Jose Cruz, Nate Thompson, Cory Baker, Ben Austin, Larry Hines Bottom Row: Derrick White, Jason Cobb, Tyrone Huelett, Adrian Eichelberger, Mike Caston, Kieth Herro, Chad Jacobs

Varsity Football

22	Griffith	49
24	Gavitt	3
14	Clark	42
7	Highland	6
35	Morton	15
64	G. Roosevelt	6
16	Munster	20
28	Noll	12
39	Gavitt	6
0	Griffith	42



Top Row: David Speaks, Mike Merzon, Chris Moore, Jose Hurtado, Miguel Chapu, Angus Matta, Jeff Speer 2nd Row: Coach Carroll, James Spencer, Matt Jakubczyk, Jonathan Rojas, Jason Brown, David Dias, Coach Buco 3rd Row: Jose Regalado, Miguel, Brian Garcia, Justin Hutton, Marco Calderon, Robert Lofbach, Fernando Botto 4th Row: Viny Vaccaro, Richie Moreno, Xavier Vargas, Daniel Rodriguez, Todd Brown, Arturo Sanchez

Varsity Soccer

1	Chatterton	13
7	Noll	9
7	Portage	9
7	Highland	9
1	Griffith	0
7	Munster	2
3	E. C. Central	9
1	Gavitt	4
4	Clark	5
2	Morton	3
7	Andean	9
1	Lake Central	9



Top Row: Coach Malia, Coach Hanning, Manager Bill Schneider 2nd Row: Rachel Stern, Ada Luder, Diana Cruz, Patty Eberle 3rd Row: Chrissy Marshall, Rachel Ward, Trava Buono, Lynn Sponzilli Bottom Row: Heather Hinken, Nicole Garner, Amanda Barr

Girls Varsity Swimming

96	Mentilville	68
12	Gary Roosevelt	9
12	Clark	9
75	Bishop Noll	96
63	Lowell	117
12	Gary Lew Wallace	9
69	Gavitt	116
112	Calumet	52
51	Portage	134
84	K. Valley	92
126	Gary Wirt	33
132	E. C. Central	30
67	Griffith	112
44	Munster	136
39	Michigan City	141

#Teams Tournament Place

7	Lake 10	6
9	Sectionals	6

Varsity Baseball

3	Merrillville	8
7	Win	2
6	River Forest	4
9	Morton	12
2	Gavit	6
7	Calumet	2
8	Whiting	1
0	Highland	5
5	Clark	5
5	Munster	1
0	Griffith	4
8	Gavit	8
3	Morton	11
3	Calumet	4
1	Griffith	16
9	Whiting	7
11	Clark	6
0	Munster	2
3	Griffith	6
0	Noll	3
10	E.C. Central	5
7	Horace Mann	0

Lost Sections:

Top Row: Coach O'Donnell, Mike White, Chris Moore, Greg Page, Ray Zack, Coach Malis Middle Row: Pete Moore, David Huerta, David Diaz, Tim Depew, Dan King Bottom Row: James Gause, Fred Akers, Marvin Smith, Mike Canton



J.V. Baseball

7	Morton	11
5	Gavit	7
4	Highland	16
7	Whiting	0
7	Munster	14
4	Noll	6
1	Gavit	13
3	Morton	4
7	Calumet	6
2	Highland	6
7	Whiting	0
3	Munster	18
3	Noll	5

Top Row: Coach Vangner, Mike Kaich, George Madden, Nick Smith, Kwame Williams, Coach Fantin Middle Row: Ron Johnson, Keon Gause, Mike Kibbler, Ryan Bilk Bottom Row: Juan Campos, Dan Garza, Anton Chase, Jimmy Sterling



Varsity Softball

1	Morton	13
3	Lowell	10
0	Marquette	10
0	Griffith	10
5	E.C.C.	10
17	E.C.C.	17
2	Whiting	13
7	Calumet	12
7	T.F. North	12

Top Row: Coach Pettit, Brooke Austy, Maggie Bilk, Kim Law, Coach Kremen Middle Row: Tika Morgan, Sally Doherty, Nancy Madow, Tyra Price, Christina Moore Bottom Row: Kristal Mathis, Sandra Lopez, Tishana Ortiz, Melissa Hamel



Girls Track

Lake 10 Invite	2nd
Noll Relays	5th
Noll/Calumet	2nd
Highland/Gavit	2nd
Clark/Munster/Noll	3rd
Griffith/Morton	1st
Low Wallace Invite	5th
Highland Relays	5th
Lake 10 Conference	5th
Sectionals	7th
Regionals	

Top Row: Coach Poppellwell, Coach Armstrong Middle Row: Mary Law, Amara Nwabuko, Jennifer Bass, Kanna Speaks Bottom Row: Lisa Leinenweki, LaShana Burns, Josette Perkins





Top Row: Andreas Maltgenkus, Ed Hilstrom, David Speaks, Coach Brown
Middle Row: Jaquim Jackson, Chris Cory, Bottom Row: Chris Harris, Todd Brown, Larry Hines, J.B. Whitelow

Boys Track

Anderson/Noll Bomber Relays	3rd
Lake 10	3rd
Calumet/ Gavit	2nd
Highland/Clark	3rd
Griffith/Noll	3rd
Monster/Morton	2nd
Highland Relays	4th
Roosevelt Invite	4th
Calumet Invite	4th
Lake 10 Conference	4th
Sectionals	4th
Regionals	



Top Row: Gabriel Sanchez, Coach Badovinich, Tim Johnson Bottom Row: Miguel Chapa, Chris Ginder, Aey Wartsbough

Golf

213	Clark	225
169	Monster	216
185	Highland	215
174	Gavit	211
188	Noll	201
254	Calumet	257
192	Morton	210
212	Whiting	201

Teams Tournament Place

10	Lake 10	9
12	Sectionals	10



Top Row: Coach N. Kitchell, Amber Condes, Melissa Harkerender, Heather Strains, Patty Jo Stewart, Coach B. Kitchell Middle Row: Kate Williams, Rachel Ward, Diana Cruz, Ingrid Davies, Sarah Adams, Tanya Tyler Bottom Row: Naivi Mondragon, Elaine Long, Dena Buere, Cheryl Jakubczyk

Girls Tennis

5	Gary	0
0	Hanover	5
1	Morton	4
9	Griffith	5
0	Gavit	5
9	Whiting	5
1	Clark	4
9	Noll	5
1	Whiting	4
3	Morton	2
1	Whiting	4
9	Noll	5

Teams Tournament Place

5	Lake 10	8
5	Hammond City	3

Industrial Arts

Business

Social Studies

Typing

Art

MATH

Special Education

Academics

Choir

Home Economics

Physical Education

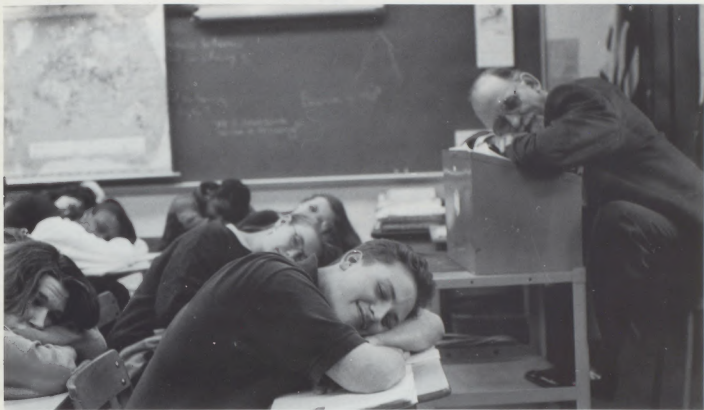
English

Foreign Language

Science

Band

Here's one reason for you juniors to take A.P. History. Photo by: Jackie Stankowski



Hammond High's Band is honored for the second year in a row on the school's marquee. Photo by: J. Stankowski

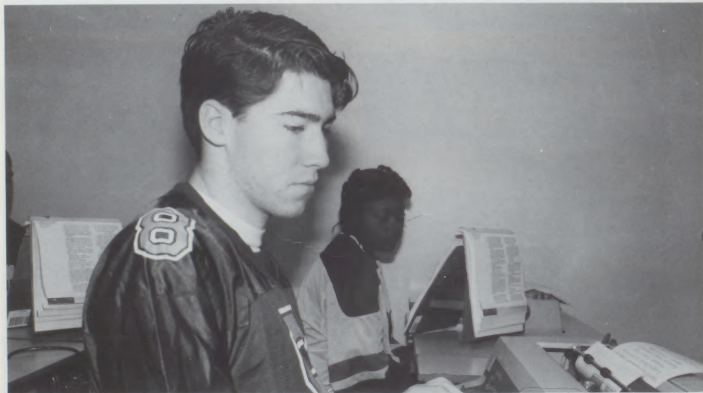


Students in Frau Kostopolous's class concentrate on their class assignment. Photo by: Ingrid Davies

Typing students try to finish their assignments before the bell rings. Photo By Ingrid Davies

The Future Lies in Your Hands

Business is what keeps America going today. This years business classes have helped students to be functional in the business world. Some of the classes offered at Hammond High are Typing and Accounting. Even though these classes are only electives, many students take them. These students realize the importance of business after taking these classes, and will be prepared for future jobs after they graduate. By Cory Baker



Senior Ross Beatty, concentrates on not looking at his fingers as he types away. Photo By Ingrid Davies

Art is a Talent

Things sure change over the years . This year art classes have been altered. Art 1-2 is no longer offered at H.H.S. Now there is painting and drawing and beginning art. One major addition is the multi-cultural art class. In this class, you can not only improve your drawing skills but also learn about the cultures of many people around the world. Art has become more than just a place where you can learn about things like; line, color, and texture, it's a place to learn about the many cultures of the world. By Jackie Stankowski



Junior Jose Cruz, explains his artwork to spectators attending the A.P. art exhibit. Photo By Staff



A.P. art student, Dan Tirado talks about his work to fellow students. Photo By Staff

Junior Rodney Turner, smiles as spectators complement his work. Photo By Staff

Playing the xylophone, Daniel Synder keeps up with his keys. Photo by ROOT

1st Place Second Year In A Row

The Hammond High Band had a very successful year. The band participated in the annual Hammond Christmas parade. The Hammond High Band under the direction of Mr. Bialon came in first place, for the #1 band performance for the second year in a row. The Hammond High School Band does not only compete in the annual Hammond Christmas parade but they also perform at the home Basketball games. The H.H.S. Band has accomplished a lot over the past years and they've done an excellent job.

Besides Concert Band there's Cadet Band. Cadet Band is a class for beginners or those students who want to learn how to play instruments and read music. If you are interested in joining band but don't know how to play, join Cadet Band, it's really worth it if you like playing an instrument. After months of practice you'll be ready for the real thing.

By- Kim Cotton and Diana Cruz



Junior, Sarah Adams anxiously awaits for her cue. Photo by ROOT



Senior, Ruth Gamez plays during halftime at the 1995 Homecoming game. Photo by ROOT



Getting ready to perform in the Homecoming parade the H.H.S. band awaits Photo by-ROOT

Making Music

This years chorus classes ran somewhat differently. Instead of just singing, students worked with Master Theory books One and Two. These books allowed each of Mrs. Hunt's students to practice music theory on their own and on the piano with fellow classmates. Due to Mrs. Hunt's car accident, the chorus students were unable to sing during the NHS Induction/Awards night.

Yet on the other hand, Hammond High's choir put on a wonderful Christmas performance this year along with the band. Concert choir, Glee club, and Chorus worked hard to learn the songs sung during the program. In addition, Seniors, Diana Cruz, Heather Hinken, and Michelle Lopez competed in ISSMA. Heather and Michelle advanced to State Competition. Michelle placed second in Local, and Heather placed first missing a perfect score by one point in State. Juniors, Matthew Hawkins and Earl Thompkins also competed. Matthew placed second in ISSMA. Earl placed first in ISSMA and perfect in state.

This summer Matthew Hawkins and Michelle Lopez will be touring throughout Europe with the United States Collegiate Choir.

By- Tina Rangel & Kimberlyn Cotton



Students in Mrs. Hunt's chorus class, Akeem Morgan and Deandre Morris wait patiently for Mrs. Hunt to grade their papers. Photo by- Ingrid



(Above) The Hammond High choir sings "I'm Going Up Yonder" during the Black History Program. Photo by-Ingrid



(Left) Practicing his scales, Robert Mundo tries hard not to mess up. Photo by-Ingrid

New Additions

The English Department has expanded this year. New classes such as Creative Writing, and Ethnic Literature were offered. These classes teach students how they can improve on their writing and help them learn about their heritage. One thing that was altered was Honors English for Seniors. Instead of Honors English, they had one AP class to challenge students. In conclusion, the English Department is giving many students new experiences. By Heather Matney and Diana Cruz



Senior Ross Beatty works hard on an assignment in his English class. Photo by Ingrid Davies

Knowing the end of the year is near Carla Cook, Sara Hamel and Brandi Crawford work hard in Mr. Deak's English class. Photo by Ingrid Davies



English teacher Mrs. Jones jokes with student as Ms. Jacobson smiles for the camera. Photo by Ingrid Davies

Students Monica Aguilar and Sakeitha Sloan helps each other with a Spanish assignment. Photo by Ingrid Davies

A Fiesta Combination

At Hammond High School three different languages are offered. Spanish, German, and French. These classes teach the basics of each language and verb tenses. Each year the German classes go to German Town to experience the food and its culture. The Spanish classes have a Pinata party and the French classes do projects. At Christmas all three classes combine to sing Christmas carols to one another.

Many activities are done by all three classes and each year they come up with new and interesting things to do. Hopefully next year all three classes can take a field trip together. By Diana Cruz



Spanish teacher Mrs. Rapp stands before her eager Spanish class. Photo by Ingrid Davies

Learning the Basics of Living

Did you ever get in a fight with your parents and didn't know how to handle it? Or did you ever rip your pants and didn't know how to fix them? Or was it that you were starving but you don't know how to cook? If you had fit home economics into your schedule you wouldn't have this problem. Home economics classes will teach you some of the essential skills that you will use throughout your life. So next time you'll know how to handle that problem with your parents, sew your pants, and maybe just maybe cook a five-star meal. By Jackie Stankowski

Sophomore Ashur Lee lays out a pattern for his apron. Photo By Ingrid Davies

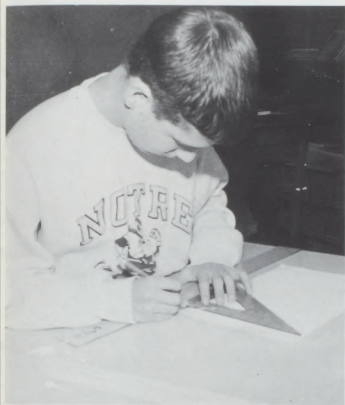


While getting a casserole out of the microwave, Mike Jancosek smiles. Photo By Ingrid Davies



Redoing her stitch, Antoinette Taylor gets the job done. Photo by Ingrid Davies

Freshman Scott Pote tries to make sure that his lines are straight. Photo by Carmen Diaz



Building Our Future

Hammond High offers a variety of classes to students in order to satisfy the varying interests of an extremely diverse student body. For those students that want to challenge their skills there is Industrial Arts. This consists of: Wood Shop and Mechanical Drawing.

Mechanical Drawing students have first hand training in architecture. This year it was offered as an alternative fine art credit.

Wood shop students get hands on experience with machinery. At first they start off with simple projects. As the year progresses, they become more advanced. By Camila Martinez



Freshman Todd Preissiy works on the project that can make his grade. Photo by Carmen Diaz

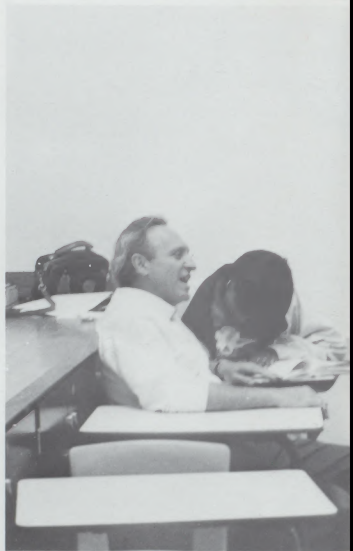
Honors Algebra 4 student, Sonya Edgeston continues her work while Mr. Cappelletti cracks one of his corny jokes. Photo by-Carmen Diaz

It's as Easy as 1-2-3

Have you ever wondered what the X in the equation $X+4=7$ stood for? If so, take Algebra as one of your required Math courses. Algebra is only one of the six different math courses you can choose here at Hammond High. The other five are: general math, geometry, trigonometry, calculus, and AP Math. You may wonder why you have to take any of these classes. When you get into the real world, you'll see. Math is used in everyday life. It doesn't matter what you're doing, math is all around. For example, when you flip through the channels on T.V. you see numbers. Numbers are part of math. When you count down the hours until you get off work, you use subtraction. Subtraction is a part of math.

Now maybe when you're sitting in one of your math classes you'll realize how important the class actually is. By- Tina Rangel

Juniors, Genetra King and Dan Tirado work on their Honors Algebra assignment. Photo by-Carmen Diaz



Freshman, Melissa Albin tries to dodge the wild pitch thrown to her while playing ball. Photo by- Carmen Diaz



Take the Physical Challenge

Physical Education is only one of the many required classes at Hammond High and all high schools in Indiana. Physical Education is a two semester class which involves swimming, basketball, volleyball, and many other activities. Physical Education is usually taken during the freshman year. Some people choose to take it their sophomore, junior, or senior year. Some students who have room on their schedules or who enjoy physical education may choose to take advanced gym as one of their later high school courses. By- Tina Rangel



Trying to score a point for her team, Alicia Baker serves the ball while Nicole Adams watches. Photo by-Carmen Diaz.



Freshmen, Jennifer Bass, Sarah Hardin, and Ebone Walker play double dutch. Photo by-Carmen Diaz

Looking to learn a little biology, Nathan Kelding bites the bullet and gives some blood. Photo by Ingrid Davies

New Discoveries

The Science department consists of five different types of classes. These classes are biology, chemistry, earth science, physical science, and physics. Though most students opt to take only biology and chemistry to fill their requirements, others decide to go on and take not only these but other classes as well. No matter which classes you decide to take in order to fill your requirements, you will find that you can learn many new and interesting things about the world and how and why things happen. by David Saldana



Performing his experiment for biology, Tyrone Hulitt makes a careful observation. Photo by Ingrid Davies



Working hard in biology, Sally Doherty and Samantha Knight take a break. Photo by Ingrid Davies

Catching Up On Past Events

The Social Studies department consists of courses such as U.S. History, World Civilization, Government, and Economics. U.S. History is a class that teaches about America's history of wars and past presidents. This class is usually taken during your junior year. World Civilization teach students about World History. Most students take this class during their sophomore year. Government teaches us about U.S. government and how it works. There is also Economics, which helps you to learn more about the American economy. Government and Economics can be taken your senior year.

Not only do some of these classes deal with the past, they also deal with current issues. By Mia Spears

Trying to get his class to pay attention, Mr. Carrol tells them to get organized. Photo by Carmen Diaz



Holding his new tape, James Spencer gets ready to learn some history in Mr. Carrol's class. Photo by Carmen Diaz

Special Education

Hammond High High has a very accommodating Special Education Department. There are four classes of special education: learning disabled, severely emotionally handicapped, minimumly impaired, and moderately impaired. On average, there are about 10-15 students per class. All of the teaching that they receive is individualized.

The students who are in Special Education classes have a different style of learning. This can be broken down into three categories: students who learn things by doing them, students who learn things by listening or a combination of both. No matter how you put it, these special students are learning, and will successfully continue to learn throughout their years at Hammond High. Story By Amy Paliga



Top Row: Fontaine Tucker, Dorris Rosiaro, Chanda Smith, Mrs. Forbes, Robbie Griffith, Miss, Brown and Richard Patee. Bottom Row: Henry Chambliss, Joey Tirado and Chrissy Harris. Photo By Ingrid Davies

Richard Patee looks off while Mrs. Forbes teaches Fontaine Tucker how to count money. Photo By Ingrid Davies



Joey Tirado keeps occupied by playing with beads. Photo By Ingrid Davies



Peer Tutor Chanda Smith sneaks up on Chrissy Harris to see what's she's laughing about. Photo By Ingrid Davies

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Leaders of Tomorrow

Every year, four students from each grade level are elected as class officers. As representatives of their classes, their efforts allow us to fund many school activities.

As underclassmen, freshman and sophomore officers have the responsibility of planning fundraisers for future events. The junior class officers are in charge of planning the senior prom along with various fundraisers. The senior officers focus on graduation activities and senior mock elections. Keeping with tradition, seniors leave their mark by presenting the school with a gift and passing the temulac on to the juniors.

The officers have done many great things for their classes, but without the support of their sponsors, none of those things would have been possible. Thanks to our sponsors for all their support and dedication. Senior Class Sponsors: Mrs. McQuigg and Mrs. Kostopoulos. Junior Class Sponsors: Ms. Sharp and Ms. McGuire. Sophomore Class Sponsors: Mrs. Houser and Ms. Forbes. Freshman Class Sponsors: Mrs. Jones and Mr. Hayden. Thank you for all the dedication and support you have given us!

By Amy Paliga



Senior Class Officers: Top: Treasurer, Brandi Crawford; Middle: Vice-President, Patty Eberle; Botton left: Secretary, Jennifer Walker; Bottom right: President, Diana Cruz

Photo By: Staff

Junior Class Officers: Left to Right: Vice President, Araceli Sanchez; Treasurer, Diana Nevarez; President Genetra King; not pictured Secretary, Candace Tyler Photo by: Staff



Freshman Class Officers: Left to right: Secretary, Katie Williams; President, Nikylon Short; Treasurer, Tanye Tyler; Vice-President, Tiffani Tyler Photo by: Staff



Sophomore Class Officers: Vice President, Arturo Sanchez; Not pictured President, Jeff Spector; Secretary, Lisa Lesniewski; Treasurer, Melissa Hamel Photo by: Staff

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The Varsity cheerleaders cheer the cats on to victory.

Photo by: ROOT



Sophomore, Lynn Sponzilli waves to the crowd during the Homecoming parade. Photo by: ROOT



Hammond High's newspaper advisor, Mr. Schneider re-reads a section out of the instruction booklet. Photo by: C.Diaz

Having Fun While Learning

Hammond High's Academic Team participates in three competitions during the school year. The first one was during the fall which was a Spell Bowl or a group spelling bee. During the winter, the Academic Team was involved in an Academic Decathlon, which involved taking difficult tests in English, History, Science, Fine Arts, Social Studies, and Math. They were also required to write an essay and present a speech. After that they were interviewed. The final competition was the Academic Super Bowl, in which teams of three students answered questions in the subjects of Science, Math, English, Social Studies or Fine Arts. This competition has a different theme every year, and the 1996 theme was "Women". Students on the Academic Decathlon team have spent many hours of hard work and dedication. Through it all they have fun. By-Mia Spears and Diana Cruz.

The members of the inter disciplinary team, J. Cobb, J. Stankowski, M. Young, J. Spector get ready for a competition. Photo by: Diana Cruz



Mrs. Bartlett sits back and relaxes while rooting her academic team on in a competition. Photo by: Diana Cruz

Making Plans

The Environmental Team are the gardeners of Hammond High School. This group of students consists mostly of sophomores although it is open to all students. The Environmental Team is sponsored by Hammond High School's principal, Cassel White. Earlier this year the Environmental Team was involved in cleaning the bike path that runs through Hammond. They ended this school year by participating in

a landscape competition, by planting flowers around the building in the flower beds. They had to submit a plan to the Environmental committee of businesses and school city officials. Hammond High has won 4 out of 5 years in the landscape competition. They will be judged this fall. The Environmental Team also plans to start a recycling program this fall.

By Mia Spears



Due to rain, the Environmental Team could not plant their flowers. They did plant after school was out. Photo by: Billy Schneider

HERO Helps Out

To a lot of students HERO seems like another way of getting out of school early. HERO is a short name for Home Economics Related Occupation. HERO is a guide for seniors that helps them get on-the-job training. During class HERO students learn what to put on applications, what to say and wear on an interview, how to write resumes, and other useful skills. HERO is involved in community projects every year. The HERO class and participated in a clothing drive for the needy. They also did a food drive for the food shelf. This year the class visited St. Margaret's Hospital, they took a tour and got to know a little about the medical field.

Story by: Mia Spears

During the awards banquet, Kim Collins and Easton Morris take a second to show everyone the cake.



Smiling proudly, the HERO Club poses for a group picture..



Enjoying a good dinner, these folks are glad to be a part of the awards banquet for the HERO Club.

Matt Hawkins takes a breather during a break on the way to Indianapolis. Photo by Rodney Turner



Helping Others Key to Club

The Key Club is not just students working in concession stands during games. They also help the community. They sold balloons and co-hosted the Ethnic dinner. The club members also had a food drive to help feed the less fortunate ones. The Key Club is a service club. They help the school in any way they are needed. The Key Club donated food to the Greater Hammond Community Service. They also gave building tours for parents. They went to Indianapolis in April to the Indiana District Convention. Story by Mia Spears



After a break, Mrs. Houser smiles as she is ready to hit the road again. Photo by Rodney Turner

Anntisha Patrick, Genetra King, Matt Hawkins, Rodney Turner, Alsha Chism, and Mrs. Houser share a little bit of bonding time after the long trip. Photo by Rodney Turner

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION

This year Ms. Angelique Jacobson, formerly Mrs. Silverman, returned as the Drama Club sponsor and director. She held try-outs the week before Christmas break. The Drama Club preformed "The Planet Of The Perfectly Awful People" under the guidance of our student director Darleia Rardin. The play opened on March 15 and closed on March 22. Ms. Jacobson continued her tradition of inviting elementary students to a special performance during school on March 20. Heather Hinken/Cady Grumble and Speed Best/Zebulan Zook displayed their flair for the dramatic by remaining in costume for the remainder of the school day. The other cast members of this "awfully perfect" play are Amy Aurelio/the announcer, Michelle Copez/ground control, Trava Buono/tower, Nichole Craft/mother, Rebecca Qutgley/Abbie Anderson, Carmen Diaz /Queen Groucho, Heather Hinken/Cady Grumble, Katie Michna/Sir Groan, Speed Best/Zebulan Zook, Ebonie Bracey/Queen Groucho and Alyse Scholl/Sir Groan. The crew consisted of Nichloas Platek/technical director, Rodney Turner/technical assistant, Ada Cuder/costumes, and Nichole Craft/makeup. By Carmen Diaz



Sir Groan (Katie Michna) flexes for the crowd. By Diana Cruz

Cady Grumble (Heather Hinken) shows just how mean she can be by making Abbie cry. By Diana Cruz



Abbie (Rebecca Qutgley) attempts to make Queen Groucho (Carmen Diaz) laugh as a frightened Groan(Katie Michna) ducks. By Diana Cruz



During regionals Sarah Hamel, Mertsha Jones, and Carmen Diaz get the crowd hype for the game. Photo by: Root



A New Addition

For the cheerleaders, their season never ends. It runs all year round. The J.V. and Varsity went to cheerleading camp in June at Purdue West Lafayette. They practiced all summer getting ready for the new season to begin.

This year there was another addition to the Varsity squad. They were the yellmen. Seven guys gave up a lot of their time to help out the Varsity. They were a big adjustment to the squad.

All the squads had to make adjustments this year. There were many new and promising faces. All three squads performed in the Christmas Parade and placed second, and they say "cheerleading isn't a sport."

BY JANE GRIFFITH



During Regionals, Jane Griffith, Carrie Hutton, and Amanda Knight are excited about the game. Photo by: Root

Left: H.S. shows that they have spirit during the Regional game. Photo by: Root



The guidance office is a favorite place to hang out for Diamond Brown, Carlo Walker and Desmond Robinson. Photo by: Ingrid Davies

OFFICE AIDS

Do you ever wonder who those students are that are always in the office? Well, those students are our very own Hammond High Office Aids. Lots of students take office procedures also known as Office Aids as an elective in their schedule. This gives them a chance to gain knowledge in the field of office management.

Office Aids learn how to operate office equipment, file papers, take massages, and run errands. For most office aids the best part of being there is all the exciting things that go on in the office.

By: Antania Stanley

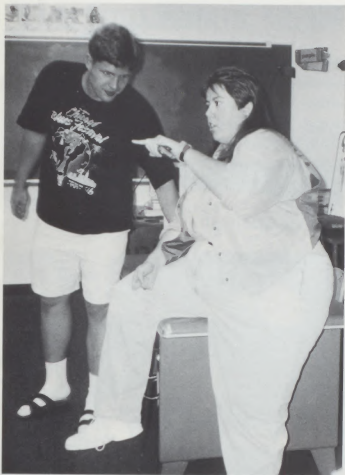


Happily filing papers Patty Eberle and Holly Grudzen are getting the job done. Photo by: Ingrid Davies



Office Aid Patty Eberle takes advantage of her fitting benefits. Photo by: Ingrid Davies

At the end of the year party, Ms. Hurley explains the purpose of peer mediation. Photo by: Diana Cruz



Conflicts Resolved

Conflict Resolution has come to Hammond High School. A group of 20 sophomores, juniors and seniors were chosen to be Peer Mediators by students and teachers. The purpose of the program was to help solve problems between students before they turned into fights. More than 20 conflicts were mediated since the program started January 1996.

Although it was intended that teachers would do all of the referring, several sought help on their own. A trend that will continue as the program becomes better known. Congratulations to all Peer Mediators for a job well done! By Diana Cruz



Senior peer mediators Jennifer Walker, Diana Cruz, Jane Griffith, and Misty Strain share their senior memories together. Photo by: Staff

Senior Peer Mediator Jane Griffith smiles with joy as she receives her end of the year gift. Photo by: Diana Cruz

Sophomore Melissa Hamel looks for information about journalism. Photo by: Carmen Diaz

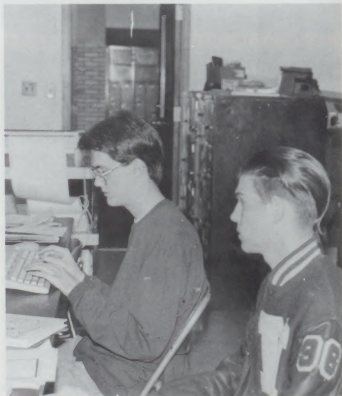
A New Edition

This year the staff of the 1996 Herald have done a great job. Under the supervision of Mr. Schneider and editor Michael Wytrykus, the staff of the 1996 Herald put out 11 issues of the newspaper this year. This is the first year that has happened. We also saw a new section in the Herald this year and that was the senior profiles. This involved picking 4 seniors out of a grab bag and interviewing them. The newspaper staff did a great job this year and hopefully next year will be even better.

By: Diana Cruz



Taking the time to pose Ryan Grace looks up. Photo by: Carmen Diaz



Editor Michael Wytrykus types away at the computer while Michael Jancosek watches. Photo by: Carmen Diaz

Starting Brand New

This year the 1995-1996 Pom Kats are new and improved. Mrs. Jones and the Pom Kats went to camp this past summer to learn new dances. They have come a long way. They look really good. They have new uniforms and some new faces to go along with their new attitude.

By: Jane Griffith

During a pep assembly, the Pom Kats perform for the student body. Photo by: Ingrid Davies



Setnors Aisha Chtsm and Jennifer Walkers show their spirit at the homecoming parade

Photo by: ROOT

The Pom Kats get down during halftime.

Photo by: Diana Cruz

During the basketball game the Pom Kats hype up the crowd.

Photo by: Diana Cruz



The Voice Of The Students

Your advice, that is what makes the PSAC, Principle Student Advisory Committee. The few students chosen to be on this committee meet once a month with Mr. White to discuss issues going on within the school. They give their input on how things could be changed and added on to for more action within the school. Sometimes the solutions are taken in and put to use, but then again sometimes not. By Staff

PSAC members, Matthew Hawkins, Genetra King, and Jennifer Walker, gather together to go over the surveys given to the students. Photo by Diana Cruz



Students Jamie Cobb and Malikia Wilder ponder over important business. Photo by Diana Cruz



Senior Jennifer Walker and Junior Genetra King are getting down to business. Photo By: Diana Cruz

FRIENDS DON'T LET FRIENDS DRIVE DRUNK!

Drinking and driving is no laughing matter. Thousands of lives are lost because of it every year. When you drink and drive you are not only endangering yourself, but you endanger others too. Senseless deaths are more prominent every year because of drunk drivers.

Students Against Driving Drunk also known as SADD, try to address this problem. Most people don't view this problem as important, but it is. It can mean your very life. This is a group of students that really care.

This year SADD had Carrie Greer, a speaker from Planned Parenthood, talk to some students about teenage pregnancy. Students could freely express themselves by asking questions and making comments. SADD also participated in the Dr. Martin Luther King March.

A scheduled speaker from Tri-City Mental Health, talked to the students on Drug Use and Abuse.

Although SADD's main concern is alcohol and drug abuse, the group deals with all issues of importance to today's teens. They meet every Tuesday in room 207. by Mia Spears

Below: Lauren Grady's grandfather Ralph Wetdner drives in the parade while her mother Ceann Grady rides shotgun. Photo by Root



Left: Kennyatta Young, Charlie Alexander, Harold Jones, and Dantel Wiley hang out of Mrs. Jones' van during the Home Coming parade. Photo by Root

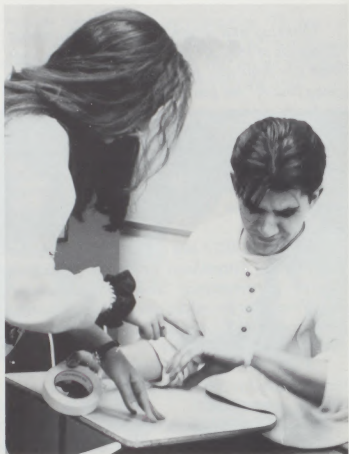
Resolved: The United States Government should substantially change it's foreign policy towards The People's Republic Of China.

Only two varsity debate teams returned this year. The first team consisted of Jamie Cobb and Genentra King. Both debaters attended Indiana Universities Debate Camp. Matt Monberg, who was without a partner for the first few tournaments, debated with Carmen Diaz. The incoming novices proved that they were varsity material in the twenty tournaments that the teams attended. Katie Peterson, Speed Best, Mike Klaich, Naketa Young, Katie Michna, and Katie Williams are just a few of the outstanding novice debaters who earned first place ribbons. The teams were guided by Mrs. Weber, Mr. Monberg, and former Wildcat debater Jan Cluck. Special thanks goes to Mr. Banham for letting the teams use his room.

By Carmen Diaz

Katie Williams and partner Katie Michna discuss the marits of their plan. Photo by Carmen Diaz

Patty Eberle teaches Mr. Banham how to time a Debate. Photo by Carmen Diaz



Junior Jackte Stankowski laughs with classmates about Homecoming Week. Photo by: Ingrid Davies



Hats off to Student Government

This year the Student Government got the year started off with Homecoming week. They planned things for us to do during the week like rollerskating, going on a hayride, and going to D.Z.'s. It was a fun-filled week. They spent a lot of time planning activities like those so that we would have a good time. After Homecoming, they started planning for Winter Formal. Winter Formal is an event that everyone should attend at least once a while in highschool. This year the theme for Winter Formal was Medieval Ball. There was dinner and dancing until midnight for all those who attended the ball. Without our Student Government we wouldn't have all these activities. Get involved there is always something to do. These activities are always fun to go to. Have fun while you can, you're only in highschool once. By Jane Griffith



Mrs. Poppelwell, Jackte Stankowski, Holly Grudzien, Natasha Tussey, Olivia Tussey, Shannon Stevenson, Ms. Jacobson. Photo by: Ingrid Davies

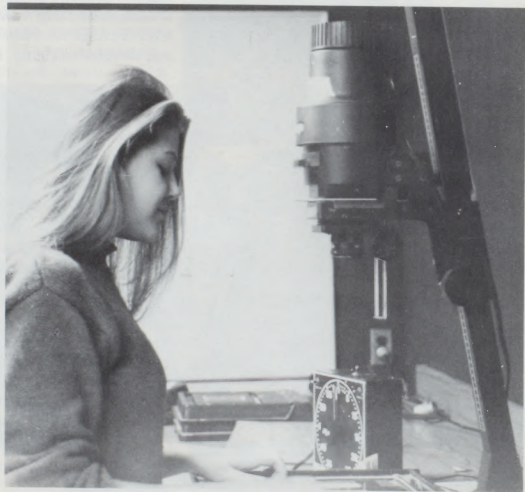
Senior Jane Griffith Takes time to pose before she goes to yearbook class. Photo by: Ingrid Davies

Hours of Hard Work

All year long, the staff of the Dunes has been hark at work trying to complete a book of memories from the 1995-96 school year. Since the yearbook is created entirely by the students, the staff has the opportunity to learn about numerous aspects of journalism. There are deadlines to meet, stories to write, pictures to develop and layouts to assemble. And of course we all know that a yearbook is never perfect. In addition to these tasks, they devote ample time outside of school to selling advertisements in order to lower the cost of yearbooks for the student body. Under the supervision of Mr. Schneider and the editor Diana Cruz, the staff of the Dunes is able to provide other students with a vivid way to remember their years at Hammond High. By: Amy Paliga



Senior Photographer Ingrid Davies prepares photo paper in the darkroom. Photo by: Carmen Diaz



Editor-in-Chief Diana Cruz works patiently to finish the 1996 yearbook. Photo by: Billy Schneider



Junior PRO Editor Jackie Stankowski looks over layouts for the yearbook. Photo by: Staff



Junior Mike White shows off his mtz and match self while getting a drink of water before class. Photo by: Ingrid Davies

Secretary Jane Griffith gives NHS member Sarah Hamel her flowers. Photo by: ROOT

Achieving Greatness

The National Honor Society is an organization that recognizes students who excel in these four areas: scholarship, character, service, and leadership. To be eligible for NHS, students must be a junior or senior. The 1995 Senior officers members included President Derrick White, Vice President Patricia Eberle, Secretary Jane Griffith, and Treasurer Aisha Chism.

This year 27 students were inducted into the National Honor Society in May. These talented students have achieved a high level of greatness throughout their high school career. By Amy Paliga



NHS Sponsors Mrs. Kostopolous and Mrs. McQuigg stand as they are being introduced. Photo by: ROOT



NHS Officers: President Derrick White, Vice President Patty Eberle, Secretary Jane Griffith, Treasurer Aisha Chism. Photo by: Staff



Office Aids

Ross Beatty, Rodrigo Rodriguez, Ruth Gamez, Liberty Frederick, Crashonia Hardgrove, Rodney Turner, Carmen Diaz, Patricia Eberle, Holly Gradzien



Principle Student Advisory

Malikia Wilder, Jaime Cobb, Mary Law, Matt Hawkins, Richard Spencer, Jennifer Walker, Ruth Ziembecki, Amara Nwabuko, Mr. White, Diana Cruz, Menasha Jones, Genetra King, Katie Williams

N.H.S.

Candace Tyler, Malikia Wilder, Nicholas Pataak, Kisha Bryy, Chastorna Goodwin, LaShana Burns, Genetta King, Janice Cobb, Christopher Ginder, Heather Strains, Araceli Sanchez, Sarah Adams, Diana Nevarez, Amarachi Nwabuko, David Speaks, Rodney Turner, Mary Law, Eric Long, Diana Cruz, Micheal Wytrykus, Tina Rangel, Richard Spencer, Matt Jakubczyk, Ruth Ziembski, A cy Wartabaugh, Carrie Hutton



Varsity Cheerleaders

Top row: Carrie Hutton, Carmen Diaz, Amanda Knight, Sarah Hamel, Kimberly Davis Middle Row: Darleia Rardin, Merisha Jones, Sally Doherty, Elaine Long, Misty Strain Bottom Row: Jessica Doherty, Jane Griffiths



Peer Mediators

Ms. Hurley, Rodney Turner, Jantielle Cummings, Myra Ochoa, Malikia Wilder, Diana Cruz, Jane Griffiths, Fred Akers, Misty Strain, Jennifer Walker, Lohm Ly





Herald Staff

Ryan Grace, Don Quiror, Mike Jacobson, Mike Wytrykus, Mary Ann Dunn, Renee Flores, Melissa Hamel, Carmen Diaz



Environmental Team

James Severs, Mr. White Tina Dunn, Danielle Flores, Carmel Stern, Katrina Spontzilli, Lynette Spontzilli, Lohm Ly, Lana Ignaas, Jeff Spector, Jaime Dildine



Yearbook Staff

Carmen Diaz, Bill Schneider, Munny Arlby, Tina Rangel, Amy Paliga, Jackie Stankowski, Elboni Bracey, Camila Martinez, Corey Baker, Rodney Turner, Antonia Stanley, Diana Cruz, Anthony White, Nick Albin, Mike White, Jason Cobb, Jessica Doherty, Jane Griffith, David Saldana, Ingrid Davies, Heather Matney, Kimberlyn Cotton, Mia Spears, Mr. Schneider





J.V. Cheerleaders

Top row: Joanna Lewis Second row:
Amanda Barr Third row: Barbie Clay, Kathy
Kipp, Monica McAdams Bottom row:
Jennifer Scott



Pom Cats

Top row: Laura Lee, Tamiya Flowers, Ebone
Walker Second row: Shoronda Hardgrove,
Myra Thompson, Twinkle Scott, Takeisha
Ryan, Charmelle King Third row: Jennifer
Walder, Michelle Scott, Dena Smith Fourth
row: Antoinette Taylor, Aisha Chism

Seniors

Class of '96

Juniors

Class of '97

People

Sophomores

Class of '98

Freshman

Class of '99

Waiting for the school doors to open. Jerry White patiently waits Photo by Ingrid Davies



Junior, Jose Cruz sits and waits for Mr. Schneider to give the next assignment Photo by Carmen Diaz



Showing off her class spirit Patty Eberle smiles

Photo by Ingrid Davies



Jaime Aguilar



Monica Aguilar



Zaneda Alexander



Nicolas Alicaen



Raymond Anderson



Deanna Armstrong



Juan M Avila



Cory Baker



Clive R Beatty



Amber Begni



Ebonie Bracey



Kisha Bray



Melinda Brooks



Melissa Brooks



Tange Brown



Dina Buchanan



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Tracy Buono



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Michael Caudillo



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Terrence Cole



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Carla Cook



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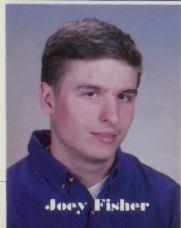
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John Guthrie



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Tennille Harkness



Isiah Henderson



Nichelle Hester



Heather Hinken



David Huerfano



Alma Hurtado



Shannon Jacobs



Michael Jancosek



Jennifer Jenkins



Tammy Jenkins



Darian Johnson



Kimberly Johnson



Kelly Johnston



Nakin Jones



Jennifer King



Everett Koonce



Alejandro Lagunas



Antonio Lewis



Tameka Lockett



Michelle Lopez



Ada Luder



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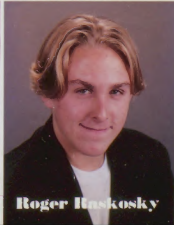
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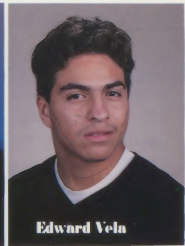
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Greg Addison
Dan Aguilar
Fred Akers
Lorena Alcantar
Lisa Alicea



Raquel Alvarez
Anna Arreg
Melissa Ashby
Benjamin Austin
Tim Austin
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Ryan Bilik
Adam Biro



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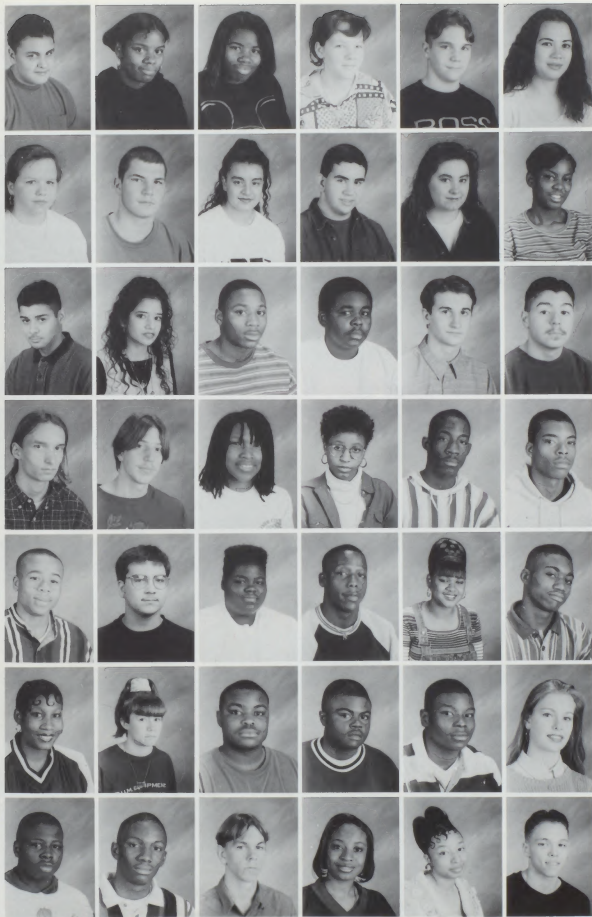


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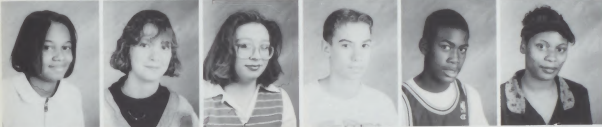




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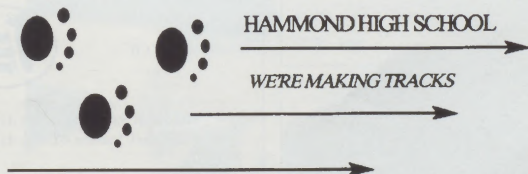
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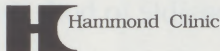
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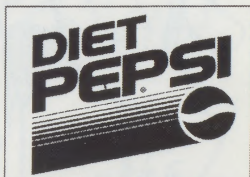
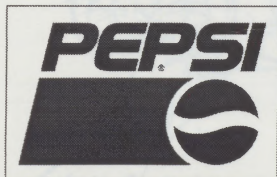
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 Tanie Jenkins
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 Darian Johnson Drama 1
 Eric Johnson
 Kimberly Johnson
 Timothy Johnson Golf 1,2,3,4
 Kelly Johnson Spell Bowl 1
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 Nakia Jones Track 1,2,3, Pep Club 3
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Anita Lewis
Antonia Lewis
Tamcka Lockett Cheerleading 1, Class
Treasurer 1, Track 2
John Lomax
Juan Lopez
Michelle Lopez SAD 1,2,3,4, Softball
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Madaline Luciano
Ada Luder Swimming 4, Drama 4,
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Rachel Lundstrom Journalism 3, Choir 3
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John Mangus
Lorelei Manning
Camila Martinez Yearbook 3,4, Volley-
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Heather Matney Yearbook 3,4, Drama
1,2, Cheerleading 3,4, SophisticCATS 4
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Orlando Mendoza
Elizabeth Mereado Cross Country 2,
Softball 3
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Matthew Monberg
Peter Moore II Baseball 1,2,3,4,
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Bruno Moreno Football 1, Soccer
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Juan Moreno
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Lasion Morris
Shaylay Moton
Curtis Mueller Swimming 1, SADD 1
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Robert Patton
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Ann Perez
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Esmeralda Pliego
Kristie Potts
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PSAC 3,4, Pom Cats 2,3, Captain 3,
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Ivan Ramirez
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Chris Rardin Football 1
Darleia Rardin Drama 1,2,4,
Cheerleading 2,3,4, Mat Maid 3,4, Track
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Roger Raskosky II Tennis 1,2,4,
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Carlos Recio
Willie Rembert Football 1,3,4, Baseball
2, Track 1,2, Basketball 1
Jose Reyes Soccer 1,2,3, Football 1,2,
Band 1,2,3,4, Wrestling 1,2,3
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Cory Richardson
Michael Rivera Baseball 1,2,3
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Charles Robinson Football 1, Basketball
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Colin Robinson
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Ruben Rosario
Tamcka Ross
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Timothy Sheppard
Kenyatta Short
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Chanda Smith Choir 1, SophisticCATS 4,
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Sanika Smith
Kenan Spears
Richard Spencer
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Rachel Stern Swimming 1,2,3,4,

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Misty Strain Drama 1,2,3,4,
Cheerleading 3,4, Track 1,2,
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Stephanie Stringer
Kevi Suggs
Antionette Taylor Pom Cats 1,2,3,4,
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Carolyn Thompsons
Chezney Thompsons Choir 2
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Giselle Torres
Lori Tortolano
John Tosecano
Olivia Tussey Choir 1, Student Gov't
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Basketball 1,2,3,4, Debate 1,2, Choir
1,2,3,4, Band 1
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Bonita White SophisticCATS 4
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Adam Wilson Basketball 2,3,4
AnnMarie Wilson Band 1,2,4
Manish Winston
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NHS 4,
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4, Wrestling 1,2,3, Baseball 1,2,3,4,
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A Letter From the Editor

First of all I'd like to say that I've taken a huge sigh of relief as Editor of The Hammond High Dunes yearbook. Being Editor was not easy. It took lots of responsibility and dedication but most of all, hours of time spent after school. Putting the 1996 yearbook together took a lot of work and became really frustrating. Getting stories together, captions, and especially photos was hard. I got to admit it was more hard work than I imagined. If I had to do it all over I would because working with my Advisor Mr. Schneider was great. He really keep me on my feet. Thanks Mr. Schneider.

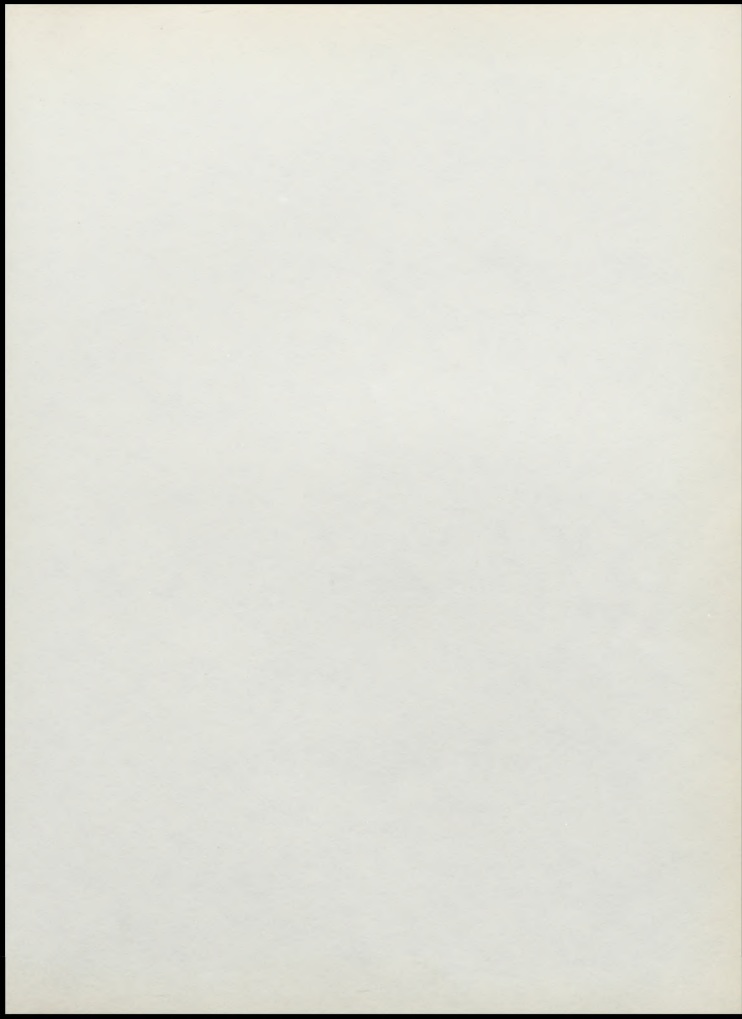
Before I end this letter, I'd like to apologize if the pictures aren't perfect or if you find any mistakes. Also to the Juniors, the first few pages of mugshots could not be indexed so I apologize. I'd like to thank the teachers who let my staff take up their class time to take pictures. Without the teachers this book would not be possible. I'd also like to thank those special friends on my staff, who through it all, put up with my moodiness. Finally I'd like to thank Ms. Hurley for helping me with stories and for always being there for me. As page 160 is finished, so is my job as well. I'd like to wish the Dunes staff lots of luck in the future. If you have any complaints join the staff and see what it's really like.

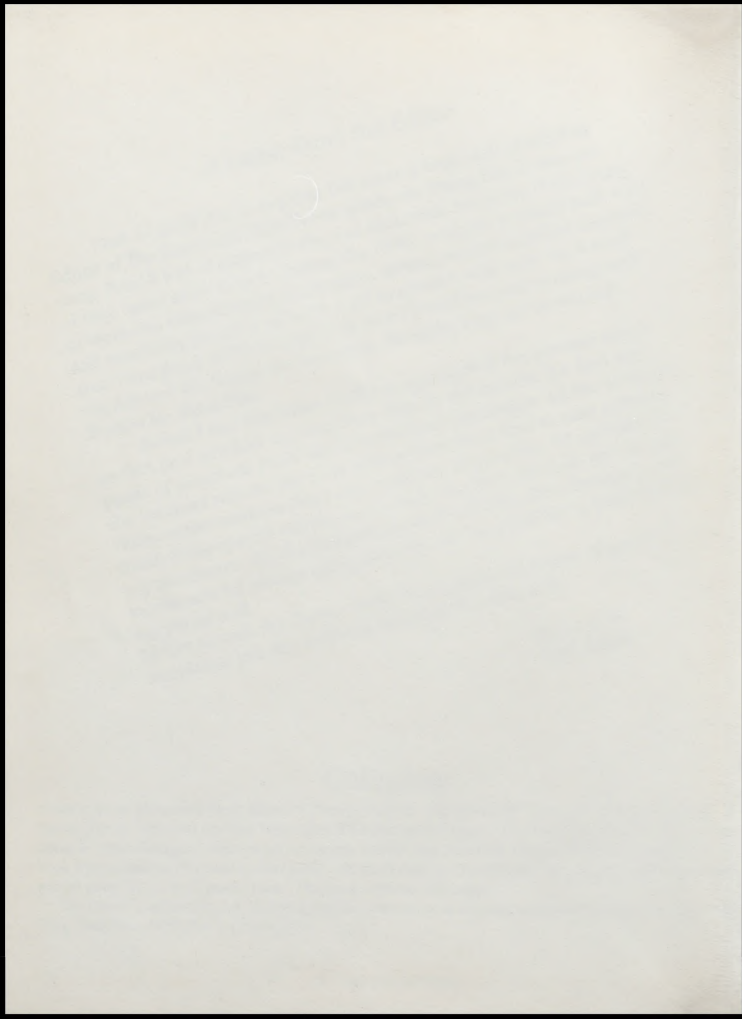
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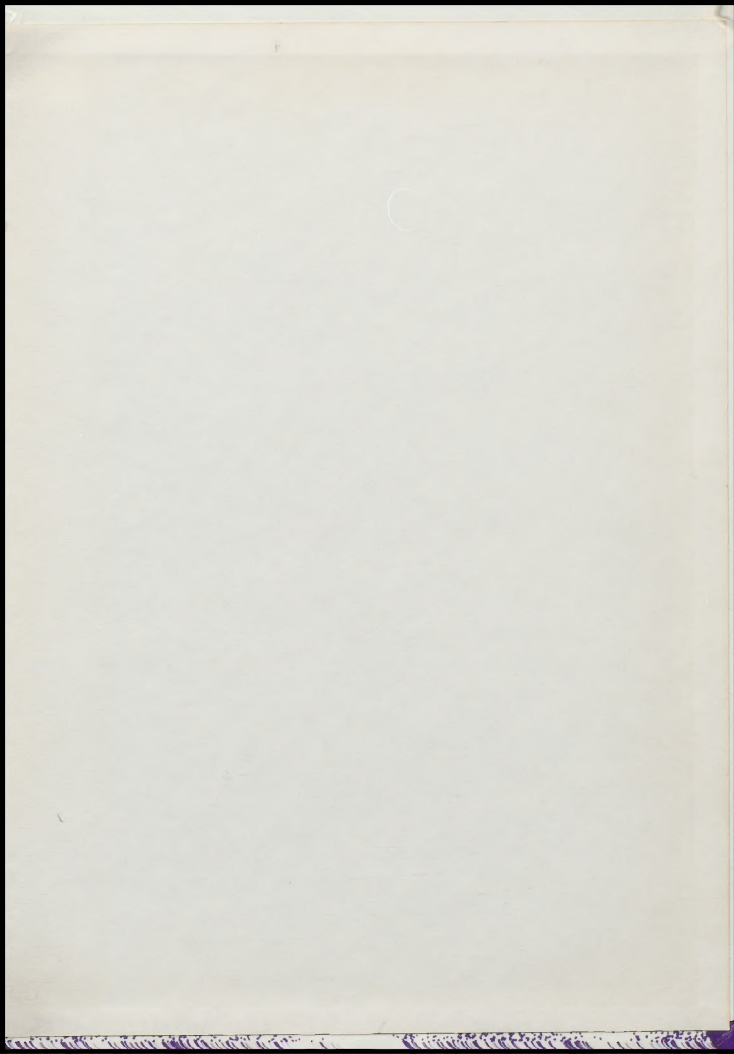
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The Dunes is advised by Mr. Robert Schneider who has been advising yearbooks for thirteen years. Mr. Greg Samples is the Taylor representative.







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